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Caltrans to look at deadly Highway 20 stretch

Fatal crash numbers prompt safety investigation

The Daily Journal

The Caltrans District 1 office in Eureka has launched a safety investigation of a stretch of Highway 20 where a local teacher died in a crash last week.

District 1 spokesman Phil Frisbie Jr. said public concern about another

fatality on the road led them to look at the latest safety statistics for the area, where they found a surprise.

From April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2007, there were 18 collisions on the 3.5 mile stretch of Highway 20 starting about three-quarters of a mile east of the Potter Valley exit, past the Buffalo Ranch through to an uphill stretch with a passing lane.

That number of collisions in a five-year period is actually half the statewide accident rate. Looking at

that number, highway safety experts saw no problem.

However a closer look showed there were four fatalities in those 18 collisions which is double the state rate on roads of similar size and terrain.

According to Frisbie, that information - which does not include the latest accident - led Caltrans to start an investigation.

"We started looking at it because of the public interest in this recent accident," Frisbie said.

Frisbie said that one of the things Caltrans will look at is whether the road is basically unsafe, or whether the culprit is primarily drivers going too fast. If speed is the problem, one option for Caltrans is to ask the California Highway Patrol to put more patrols on the road to slow traffic down. If the road itself is unsafe, Caltrans will look at that too.

Many local residents wonder aloud whether a median guard rail would be a good way to prevent fatal head-on collisions in the future.

Frisbie said that while median guardrails do help prevent accidents caused by people crossing the center line, it tends to increase accidents overall, since people who might otherwise have slipped over the median for a moment, will hit a guardrail, causing an accident that might not otherwise have happened. However, a median guardrail is one option.

Frisbie said the Caltrans investigation into this stretch of road will likely take two or three months.



Sally Stapleton enjoys a game of Bingo at the Ukiah Day Care Center.

MacLeod Pappidas/The Daily Journal

Just like family

Seniors stay healthy and find a bit of life again

By ZACK SAMPSEL
The Daily Journal

For 90-year-old New Orleans native Sally Stapleton her time spent in the Adult Day Health Care Program at the Ukiah Senior Center is not only a blessing, but a chance for her life to come full circle after more than 20 years providing bedside care to the disabled.

"If you give a reward, you'll get a reward. But first you have to give it," Stapleton said Monday. "From the first day I walked in this door, I found love and a family."

Stapleton is a member of a special care program offered at the Ukiah Senior Center known as the Adult

Day Health Care Program. The ADHC program is a multi-faceted service designed to "enhance the health of the frail or elderly," according to Donna Squires, program director. Not only does the Senior Center offer this unique program to interested people, but it also offers free transportation for many of the clients.

Typically people join the ADHC program as part of a trial visit, where they can experience first-hand the full-time nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists, nutritionists and social workers on site. Squires explained that ADHC helps frail and elderly seniors retain their independence -- something she said is vital to

their success.

"It's like people come to the Adult Day Health Care Program and suddenly come to life," Squires explained. "They want to be here. I think the key ingredient -- that's better than medication -- is the socializing. I see it work better than most treatments."

And for Stapleton, ADHC has been a new chance at life.

Stapleton was born in 1917 in New Orleans where she lived until 1969, helping with bedside care for disabled children -- a job she said she enjoyed with all of her heart.

"I enjoyed working with the

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County needs poll workers for 2008

By ROB BURGESS
The Daily Journal

Those interested in becoming poll workers for a day are needed for the Feb. 5, 2008 presidential primary election.

Jenne DeJong, staff assistant at the county elections office, said volunteers must meet certain requirements before they will be allowed to work the polls.

"They don't have to necessarily be registered in Mendocino County," she said. "They just have to be registered voters in the state of California. They can be a worker at any precinct in the county, not just the one they live in."

DeJong said students who are interested in volunteering their time for the day should start checking with their school's administrators about their eligibility to participate.

"We do have some ability to have students be poll workers," she said. "Students noti-

fy their principals or superintendents in advance."

Last year a group of students at Acalanes High School wrote what would become SB 1193 and called the "Student Pollworkers Bill." If the bill had passed, schools that allowed their students to work the polls would not lose student attendance funding.

A bill that did become a law this year, SB 113, moved the date of California's presidential primary from June to its current February date.

Until this year, Feb. 5 was also known as "Super Tuesday" when 19 states held their primaries. This year though, because of several states, including California, moving their primaries ahead of one another, Feb. 5, 2008 has been dubbed "Super Duper Tuesday" when 20 states are scheduled to open their polls.

Those interested should call 463-4371.

Deal allows crabbing to start Saturday

By JOHN DRISCOLL

The Eureka Times-Standard
EUREKA - Starting Dec. 1, weather permitting, you can have your crab and crack it, too.

West Coast fishermen and processors have settled on a price, staving off the common delays that have marked nearly all seasons in recent years. The agreement came out of Oregon's state-sanctioned negotiations, to which California fishermen consented.

Fishermen will be paid \$2 per pound for at least the first 24 hours of fishing, after which prices may be adjusted based on the catch.

"We're not going to have

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The California crab catch

2002-2003
13.7 million pounds
2003-2004
21.1 million pounds
2004-2005
23.9 million pounds
2005-2006
23.8 million pounds
2006-2007
13.4 million pounds
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(calendar year 2006)
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\$45 million
Market squid
\$26 million
Spiny lobster \$8.1 million
Chinook salmon
\$5.2 million
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Space heater likely cause of house fire

By ZACK SAMPSEL
The Daily Journal

An electric space heater placed too close to combustibles started a single-story house fire along the 3500 block of Leland Lane, south of Highway 253, at 4:39 p.m. Sunday, according to John Strangio, Ukiah Valley Fire Department fire apparatus engineer.

Multiple 911 reports of the fire resulted in a response from UVFD, the Ukiah Fire Department and CALFire Sunday afternoon. As well, Ukiah Ambulance was on scene as the medical standby.

"When we left the station we saw a heavy column of smoking

coming already," Strangio said.

Upon arriving at the scene, the two female tenants had fled the building. UVFD officials were not releasing the names of the tenants Monday. Strangio explained that the two women, who are now staying with family members, had tried to put out the fire on their own, which is believed to have delayed the 911 dispatch.

According to Strangio, UVFD initially cooled the fire before entering the building from the back porch. Once enough personnel arrived on the scene, a team of firefighters entered the building through the back, pushing the fire back out where it came

from. The fire was contained within 15 minutes.

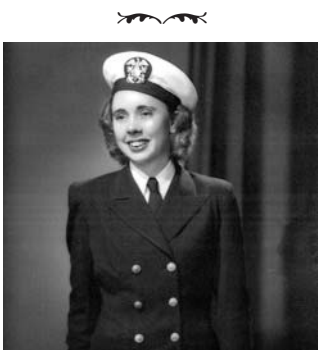
Strangio said the estimated damages to the house include severe burn damage to 75 percent of the house with smoke damage throughout the entire building. UVFD officials had no estimate of cost of the damages Monday.

Photo courtesy of Peter Armstrong

From left, Captain John Corripio, UVFD; Captain Sid Dearborn, UVFD; John Lattimore, UVFD and Engineer Larry Goodman, UVFD, respond to a fire along Leland Lane Sunday afternoon.



FUNERAL NOTICES



MARY B. LAYNE
Mary B. Layne, born August 18, 1915, passed away peacefully on November 15, 2007. Mary leaves her son Sam and wife Judi, grandson James (Jimmy), granddaughters Sadie (Burns) and husband Matt, Hannah (Frease) and husband Russell, sister Ava L. Davis and husband Chuck, Nancy Fulsom and husband Dick, daughter Melissa, 4 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Mary was born in Valentine, Nebraska, and grew up in Purdum and Thedford, Nebraska. After graduating at 16, she taught school for a year, and then moved to the west coast to be near her family. She enrolled at the University of Portland St. Vincent's Hospital earning at B.A. in nursing. World War II was upon our country and she enlisted in the US Navy Nurses Corp, shipping out on the U.S.S. Benevolence in the Pacific. to retrieve P.O.W.'s released from Japan after their surrender.

After her discharge, she returned to Oregon to resume her nursing career and met James Richard Layne whom she married and moved down to Northern California with. She was director of nurses at the then-new County Hospital in Ukiah. After earing her masters at U.C.S.F., she became the school nurse for the Ukiah School District, beginning programs for hearing tests and dental care instruction for children in the schools. After retirement, she operated 'Mother Mary's Cat Condo' at Tu-Layne Kennels. Mary led a full life helping people which she did with a passion whether as the "school nurse lady" or "Mother Mary". Mary was preceded in death by her husband James Richard 'Dick' Layne, son James Richard Layne Jr. and grandson Joseph. A memorial celebration of her life will be held on Dec. 2, 2007 at 2:00 in the Senior Center located at 497 Leslie St. in Ukiah. For information call 707-462-1056.



VIRGINIA "GIGI" VARGAS
Virginia "Gigi" Vargas died October 22, 2007 at age 66 of cancer. Gigi lived in Redwood Valley for 30 years and moved last year to Corpus Christi, Texas. She is survived by her husband of 45 years Encarnacion "Chon" Vargas, mother Julianna Perez & Mingo, stepfather Ed Suazo, sister Nancy Golz & Jerry, son Eddie Vigil, daughters Donna Vigil Cupp, Renee Vigil Branzuela, and Lisa Vargas Fetzer. Gigi is also survived by 10 grandchildren Alfred Ramirez, Salena Garcia, Jessica and Luke Fetzer, Adam, Eddie, Jessie and Naomi Vigil, Ruben Torres and Rachel Cupp. She was preceded in death by her father Moses, brothers Floyd & Donald, sister Marlene, brother-in-law Bill, grandchildren Ricky Ramirez, Lorena Garcia and son Brian Vigil.

In the 1970's Gigi worked for National Semi Conductor in the Silicon Valley. In 1976 she

moved to Redwood Valley with her family. In the 1980's she worked as a boy's group home counselor and enjoyed this very much. Gigi loved to entertain and was a fantastic cook. She was smart and learned anything she put her mind to quickly. She loved telling jokes, going to flea markets, garage sales, and casinos. If any member of the family was ill or in need of support, she was the first to always get there to help. She was truly the "glue" of our family. She is gone, but will never be forgotten. The Vargas family would like to express their appreciation to The Legacy Hospice of Corpus Christi, Texas for their information, kindness, love, patience, support and respect they showed to Virginia and the family during this most painful time. The Legacy Hospice employees are truly Angels on Earth and may God bless all of them. Please support your local hospice agencies.

The Vargas Family



ARTHUR CHAPMAN BLASS 1925-2007

Born Aug. 11, 1925 in Pittsfield, MA., to Arthur & Elsa Blass. He grew up in Lee, Ma. and joined the U.S. Navy August 10th 1943, the day before his 18th birthday. He married Maxine Cherry on March 28th 1953, in San Francisco, CA. He retired from the Navy June 17th, 1963 in Brooklyn, New York. They lived in Ukiah, CA., where he worked at Mendocino State Hospital until it closed. They moved to Glen Ellen, CA., where he worked at Sonoma State Hospital as an engineer, until transferring to the Department of Corrections in Soledad, CA. He left there in June, 1989 when his wife retired. They moved to

Coeur d' Alene, ID., and later to Post Falls, ID. in September 2003. Art died at home on November 15, 2007, from pancreatic cancer.

He is survived by his wife Maxine, two sons Arthur III and Anthony, and two daughters, Melaney Blass and Rosemarie Esqueda, daughter-in-law, Candy Jacomella, son in law, Mitchell Esqueda, Brother, Walter Blass, sister, Rosemary Bucklieu. There are five grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and one step-granddaughter, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two sons Jeff and John and a sister Elizabeth Slater. Memorial services were held on Tuesday, November 20th at 1pm at Yates Chapel at 744 N. 4th. Viewing was from 11:00-1:00pm. Burial followed at Coeur d'Alene Memorial Gardens. A reception followed at the Yates Chapel in Hayden at 373 Hayden Ave.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of North Idaho at 9493 N. Government Way Hayden, ID. 83835 or to Idaho Youth Ranch, P.O. Box 8538 Boise, ID.



ROBERT FRANKLIN WRIGHT
Robert Franklin Wright, passes away November 23, 2007 in Ukiah, California.

He was born in San Diego, California on April

19, 1925.

He is survived by his wife Shirley Marie of 55 years. They have three children, Steven, Richard and Linda and three grandchildren, Billy, Mike and Gaby. He is also survived by a brother Norman Wright and a sister Diane Cooper preceded him in death.

He served in World War II, in the South Pacific. He spent the last 25 years managing mobile home parks. His latest was at Lake Mendocino Mobile Home Estates for 19 years.

His favorite pastime was playing the organ and entertaining people with his music.

His hobbies included painting, fishing, playing golf and watching sports. He enjoyed cruising, one of his favorites was seeing the Panama Canal. He loved listening to the ocean and seeing the sunset.

He will be remembered for his love of his family and friends. We will miss him deeply.

Private family services will be held.

EDNA BETH TUTTLE

On Thanksgiving Day, November 22, 2007, Edna Beth Tuttle, age 91, passed away at her home in Boonville with her family at her side, leaving behind her loving and devoted husband of 67 years, Walter Tuttle. Beth is also survived by her younger brother Porter Willis and her sister-in-law Averyll Willis. She also leaves her loving daughters Linda Stewart and husband Chuck Stewart, Doris Vaughn and husband Ron Vaughn and Betty Hiatt. Grandchildren Nancy Bellen, Toby Vaughn, Brian Witherell, Nathan Vaughn, Rachel Henderson, Laura Hiatt, Natalie McMilian and step grandchildren, K.C. Stewart and Kelly Weaver. Great grandchildren Wiley Bellen, Colton Henderson, Andrew Vaughn, Madison Vaughn, Bryce Henderson, Daphne Witherell, Bennett Witherell, step great-grandchildren Nicole Weaver, Derek

Weaver, Samantha Stewart and Kyle Stewart. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Above all else she loved her family. Beth graduated from Anderson Valley High School in 1933, Santa Rosa Junior College in 1936 and received her teaching credential from San Francisco State in 1938. She later received a Masters Degree at Sonoma State as a reading specialist. Beth started her teaching career in a one room school in 1938 and retired from her beloved years of teaching in 1976. After retirement she and her husband enjoyed 20 years of traveling in their various R.V.'s, visiting family and friends in the United States. Throughout her life, Beth was devoted to her community and was an active member in the Boonville Methodist Church, Unity Club, American Legion, Historical Society and life member of Delta Gamma. She also volunteered many hours in the Anderson Valley Lending Library, Anderson Valley Historical Society and the Senior Center. In 1987 she was voted Mendocino County Woman of the year. At age 80 she bought a computer and wrote a book called The Grandma Stubblefield Rose, the Life of Susan Stubblefield, a pioneer, who was her great great great grandmother. The book was published in 2000.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, November 28, 2007 at 1 PM at the Anderson Valley Methodist Church. Internment will follow in Evergreen Cemetery. Contributions may be made to the Anderson Valley Historical Society, the Anderson Valley Senior Center, the Anderson Valley Health Center or the Anderson Valley Elder Home. The family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Mark Apfel.

The Eversole Mortuary is in charge of arrangements. 707-462-2206.

POLICE REPORTS

The following were compiled from reports prepared by the Ukiah Police Department. To anonymously report crime information, call 463-6205.

ARRESTED -- Marco Rodriguez, 22, of Ukiah, was arrested on suspicion of domestic abuse at 12:15 a.m. Sunday at 812 Cindee Dr.

ARRESTED -- Gloria Bautista, 38, of Lucerne, was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence at 2:26 a.m. Sunday at 105 Pomeroy St.

SHERIFF'S REPORTS

The following were compiled from reports prepared by the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office:

BOOKED -- Kenneth McWhorter, 51, of Albion, was booked into jail on suspicion of driving while under the influence at 3:50 a.m. Thursday by the California Highway Patrol.

BOOKED -- Jeanine Betts, 31, of Willits, was booked into jail on suspicion of driving while under the influence at 11:15 a.m. Thursday by the California Highway Patrol.

BOOKED -- Jade Bennett, 32, of Fort Bragg, was booked into jail on suspicion of

assault, battery and revocation of probation at 11:40 a.m. Thursday by the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office.

BOOKED -- Melquiades Garcia, 22, of Ukiah, was booked into jail on suspicion of driving while under the influence at 4:07 p.m. Thursday by the California Highway Patrol.

BOOKED -- John Wytenberg, 56, of Fort Bragg, was booked into jail on suspicion of first degree burglary and receiving known stolen goods at 5:06 p.m. Thursday by the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office.

BOOKED -- Jeffrey Cogburn, 32, of Dos Rios, was

booked into jail on suspicion of driving while under the influence and revocation of probation upon arrest at 8:02 p.m. Thursday.

Those arrested by law enforcement officers are innocent until proven guilty. People reported as having been arrested may contact the Daily Journal once their case has been concluded so the results can be reported. Those who feel the information is in error should contact the appropriate agency. In the case of those arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of an intoxicant: all DUI cases reported by law enforcement agencies are reported by the newspaper. The Daily Journal makes no exceptions.

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The Ukiah Daily Journal reserves this space to correct errors or make clarifications to news articles. Significant errors in obitu-

ary notices or birth announcements will result in reprinting the entire article. Errors may be reported to the editor, 468-3526.

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Ask Dr. Gott

By Dr. Peter H. Gott, M.D.

Sudden deafness a mystery

DEAR DR. GOTT: I went to bed one Thursday evening, and, when I awoke that Friday morning, my hearing in my left ear was gone. I am a healthy person and have not had any injuries. I did, however, have some medical testing done within the two months prior to my hearing loss. The first was a CT scan, in which they injected me with dye to look at a joint in my clavicle. The other was a biopsy of my thyroid gland.

I went to the local urgent-care facility that day, and they found my ear to be normal except for the hearing loss. I do not have any vertigo or any other symptoms, only the hearing loss. The doctor ordered an MRI and put me on prednisone. I have since been referred to an ear-nose-and-throat specialist. He has performed numerous hearing tests. Yes, my hearing in the left ear is completely gone. He then put me on a stronger dose of prednisone that started with 60 milligrams per day and went down from there. Nothing has worked. I have an appointment with another ENT specialist in order to get a second opinion. Do you have any further ideas?

DEAR DR. GOTT: When I first read your letter, I thought the problem was impacted wax in the ear, but that can't be the case after all the testing you've had. So, like you, I'll await the evaluation of the second ear specialist. There are other causes of sudden hearing loss, such as benign tumors within the ear, infections, etc., however, you do not have any other symptoms. This may be something you will have to learn to live with or, perhaps (though very unlikely), your hearing will return just as suddenly as it went.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am taking a medium dose of thyroid medication (Levoxyl) and was wondering if this medicine would cause osteoporosis. I do have bone loss in my hips and back.

Also, if I stopped taking it, what would happen? I know it affects the metabolism, but would it shut down my organs?

DEAR READER: Excess thyroid hormone is associated with bone-calcium loss, which is why patients on thyroid supplements should be checked periodically. This approach would be prudent in your case.

If, however, you simply stop the medication, within weeks you would experience symptoms of a thyroid deficiency. Such symptoms include fatigue, weight gain, depression and weakness.

Visit with your family physician to sort out your questions and concerns.

Doctor Gott is a retired physician and the author of the new book "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet," available at most chain and independent bookstores.

If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may write him through your newspaper or send their mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016. However, if readers want to request a newsletter, they should write to the Ohio address.

Nurse numbers growing

May catch predicted crisis in time

By SAQIB RAHIM
San Jose Mercury News

It was the collision of factors that everybody was bracing for: with California's nurses getting older, and with baby boomers turning gray themselves, the state's nursing crunch would only get worse.

But a recent study suggests that renewed efforts by nursing schools will make the decade-old nursing shortage history within 10 years.

The research, by UCSF's Center for California Health Workforce Studies, says the number of nursing school graduates has increased by 73 percent during the last five years.

But the road to recovery may be a bumpy one, as nurses keep aging, nursing instructors remain hard to find, and schools, relying on temporary grants, keep scrounging for more.

"If policy makers can sustain the growth in nursing programs that they've achieved," lead researcher Joanne Spetz said, "the nursing shortage will be solved over the next 10 to 15 years."

Closing the gap would bring much-needed relief to a nursing workforce already straining. While nurses statewide have been pressed into working overtime - they worked an average of 9.6 hours a day in 2006 - hospitals have shored up their ranks with thousands from around the country and abroad.

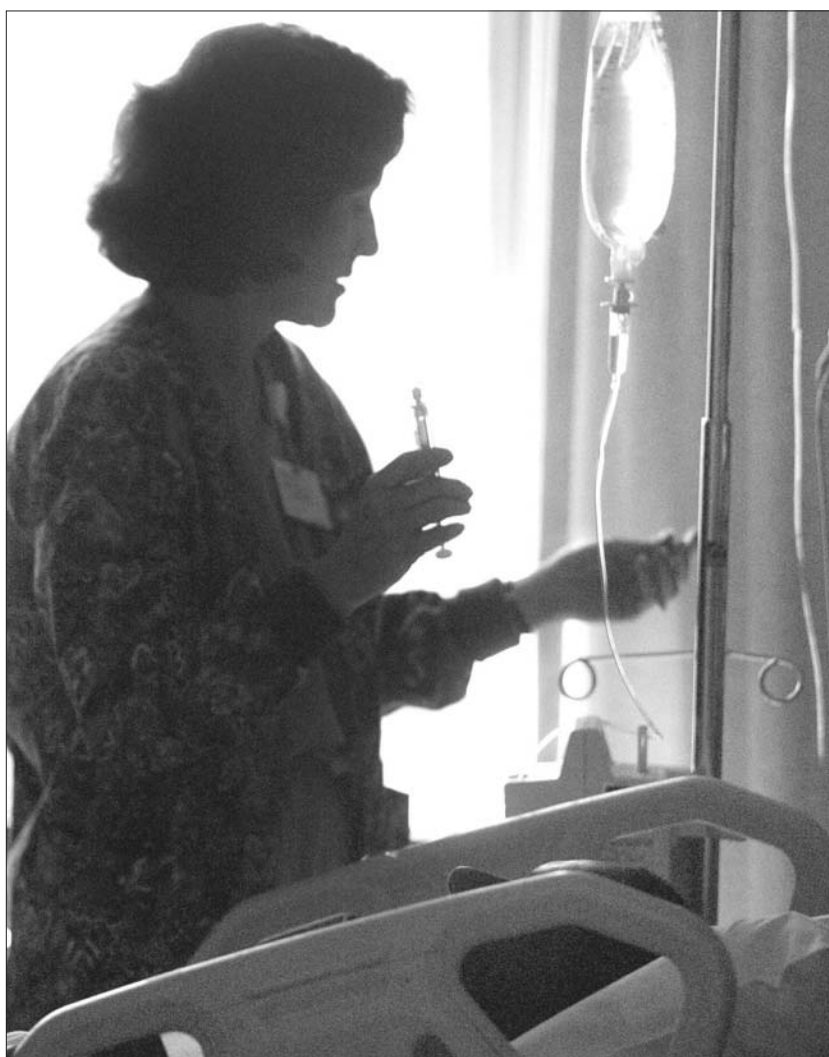
Demographics, too, have taken their toll. Experts have been warning that as baby boomers are aging, and requiring more health care, nurses are aging, too.

In 2006, a Board of Registered Nurses report found that 45 percent of nurses with active California licenses were over 50 years old, and coming retirements would take their toll.

But since the start of the decade, plenty of efforts, large and small, have aimed at educating more nurses in the state.

In 2005, the California Governor's office launched a program that included \$90 million for expanding student enrollment. Colleges such as UC-Los Angeles and UC-Irvine have opened nursing baccalaureate programs. And Junior colleges, like Mendocino College in Ukiah - which educate roughly two-thirds of the state's nurses - have invested more in their nursing programs.

Most recently, a \$100 million grant by the San Francisco-based



Aric Crabb / The Oakland Tribune

Critical Care nurse Kim Thompson administers pain medication to a patient in the ICU of Eden Medical Center in Castro Valley last August.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation helped UC Davis open a complete nursing school. That school is projected to educate 456 nurses a year by early in the next decade.

But while such monster grants have made a splash, the steady drip-drop of smaller donations around the state has also helped.

A \$1.08 million grant in October 2006, for example, allowed De Anza College to accept an additional six students each quarter, educating an extra 66 nurses over five years.

The efforts, Spetz said, have also relieved some, but not all, of the tension brewing among the thousands of students who vie for the limited number of seats available every year.

Drawn by high salaries and the desire for fulfilling work, nurse hopefuls have long been caught between a health care system des-

perate for their help and a school system that lacked the resources to train them.

Nursing instructors have been a particularly difficult breed to find. With wages as high as ever - the average nurse in California made \$73,542 in 2006 - many nurses have chosen practice over teaching. Cash-strapped colleges responded by downsizing their programs.

Much of students' hopes - and frustrations - show up at nursing program 'lotteries,' where hundreds of junior college students, finished with their prerequisites, would hope to be among the lucky ones whose name is drawn from a hat.

Racquel Montoya knows she was one of the lucky ones. When she began De Anza's nursing program in 2001, she had survived the program's second-ever lottery - a cordial affair with only about a hundred students vying for 20 spots.

Some of Montoya's friends, however, were not so lucky. One close friend, she recalls, went to six lotteries - spanning two years - before she was admitted. Montoya became familiar with the range of emotions that came with being turned away.

When they aren't chosen, she said, "people cry, feeling like their lives are just ruined. Bummed out completely."

Some have also blamed the lotteries for the high dropout rate in junior college programs -- roughly 25 percent in 2003. The critics argue that lotteries allow less qualified students to be admitted. A bill signed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in October, however, would make it easier for schools to accept students based on grades, life experiences, foreign language ability, or other criteria. But since the bill doesn't require schools to change their admissions procedures, some -- such as Ohlone College in Fremont -- are not. Ohlone uses a lottery system to fill its 30 seats each year, Program Director Gale Carli said, but he school's 95 percent completion rate doesn't cry out for a makeover. Instead, she said, the college will give lottery winners a written test - and if they fail, they will have another year to study.

"The whole point of this is to make sure students have every chance to succeed in our nursing program," Carli said. She added that she expected more than 90 percent of lottery winners to pass the test.

The other good news is that with wages so high, Spetz said, there will be no shortage of interest in nursing. (Spetz' previous research in 2003, however, does suggest that wages will decrease as the shortage declines).

The problem remains in finding enough teachers who want to leave behind nursing to instruct the newcomers. Spetz' previous research in 2003 does suggest that wages will decrease as the shortage declines.

And with so many of the state's growing programs relying on temporary grants, she said, lawmakers must find a way to assure funding remains strong even as the picture improves.

"If people think that we've solved the nursing shortage before it's actually solved, and pull the funding," she said, "then we'll be right back to where we started."

HEALTH BRIEFS

Medicare open enrollment period thorough Dec. 31

Those eligible for Medicare are reminded that now is the period of Open Enrollment for Part D prescription drug coverage. Part D is the prescription drug benefit program for Medicare-eligible senior citizens. The "D" in Part D stands for drugs.

Open Enrollment continues through Dec. 31; enrolling in the coverage is free. After that time, except under exempted conditions, applicants will be charged a late enrollment penalty that could continue to affect their premium costs in the future.

Current Medicare beneficiaries should receive their Annual Notice of Change by the end of October. It will have important information to help begin deciding about their prescription coverage for 2008. Plan information is also available at www.Medicare.gov.

With approximately seven Part D plans being offered to California seniors this year, selecting the right prescription coverage can be confusing. The Alliance for Rural Community Health (ARCH), a nonprofit organization whose goal is to strengthen the local health care system, urges the public to talk with their health care providers about Part D coverage. Those

that don't have a regular provider can go to the ARCH web site and find their nearest health center at www.rural-communityhealth.org/members.html. These locally governed centers have staff available to talk about Part D Coverage. For members of the community that have recently turned age 65, health center staff can also help them enroll in Medicare and find the best Part D program to meet their needs.

Community HealthCorps seeks applicants

The Community HealthCorps of Northern California is still accepting applications to serve in local community health centers (current openings exit at the Mendocino Community Health Clinics -- Ukiah location and Lakeport location) in the areas of health education, outreach and patient advocacy. The mission of the HealthCorps Program (a division of the national AmeriCorps Program) is to engage community members in service with the goal of improving access to comprehensive, affordable and culturally appropriate health care.

The program is an opportunity for community members to gain professional skills and to make a positive impact on

the health and well-being of their communities. In exchange for 1700 hours of their service to the community, HealthCorps Members receive a living allowance of \$11,100, an education award of \$4,725, health insurance, child care benefits, training in community health issues, and opportunities for professional and personal development. Applications are being accepted until Oct. 30, 2007. For more information about the program, or to download an application, visit <http://www.ruralcommunity-health.org> and click on AmeriCorps, E-mail Nancy Eachus, Program Coordinator, at neachus@ruralcommunity-health.org, or call her at 462-1477 ext. 102.

Warm Line open weekend evenings

An opportunity for people who need emotional support is now available as near as the closest phone on weekend evenings. Thanks to peer volunteers trained to provide support for emotional and mental health recovery, a new county-wide Warm Line is now available Friday and Saturday evenings from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Expressly not a hot line or a crisis line, the new Warm Line is part of a larger Mental Health Services Act funded project to develop mental health peer support projects and opportunities in Mendocino County.

The Crisis Line is accessed

by calling 463-HELP in Ukiah, 964-HELP in Fort Bragg and 459-HELP in Willits, or calling 800-575-HELP (4357).

Support/counseling offered in Ukiah

A Healing Cooperative, a local non-profit, is offering the following mental health-focused services: a support center, open Monday to Friday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; art classes, Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays, 1 to 3 p.m.; Writing for Self Discovery, Tuesdays, at 11 a.m.; Men's and Women's support groups, Tuesdays at noon; Movin' On, a dual diagnosis support group, Wednesdays at 2 p.m.

These activities take place at 270 N. Pine St., at the Ukiah United Methodist Church. For more information, contact them at 462-3360, or visit their web site www.ukiahumc.org/ahc.

Restorative yoga classes offered

Yoga Mendocino is continuing to offer a special, donation-based series of restorative classes, every second Friday of the month, 5:30 to 6:45 p.m., Nov. 9 and Dec. 14. These classes are a way to start the weekend feeling rested and renewed. In a restorative yoga class, props such as blankets, bolsters, pillows and blocks are used to bring participants into a sequence of supported poses that are held

for several minutes at a time.

These classes are suitable for everyone. Yoga Mendocino is a non-profit yoga studio located at 206A Mason St., Ukiah. For more information, call 462-2580 visit their web site at www.yogamendocino.org, or e-mail them at yomo@pacific.net.

Cancer Resource Centers offer free services

People living with cancer, their friends and their families are invited to call or visit the Mendocino office of the Cancer Resource Centers of Mendocino County for free supportive services including a library of cancer-related books, tapes and magazines available for check-out, a support group for people diagnosed with cancer, cancer-care telephone workshops, accompaniment to medical appointments, and support from our patient navigators. They have offices located on the coast and in Ukiah. The coast office is open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday by appointment at 45040 Calpella St. in the village of Mendocino, or call 937-37833. The Ukiah office is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 590 S. Dora St. in Ukiah, and can be reached by phone at 467-3828. CRCMC is a nonprofit organization funded through local donations, events and grants.

Letters from our readers

Misses Mendocino County

To the Editor:
Aloha. I used to live in Covelo, and I miss it so very much. I miss knowing everybody. You get to know people in a small town. For instance, you go to the only grocery store in town, where you get to see people you know and have a real conversation, the post office, the gas station, the feed store, western auto, etc.. I miss everyone so much.
I live in paradise now, Oahu Hawaii. I get to swim all year round in a beautiful clear ocean, the weather is perfect all year round. The people are so kind and polite, filled with aloha. I just wanted you to know I would move back to Mendocino County if it would be possible at this time, I am not stuck just following my plan right know.
My message is keep the country, country, and appreciate where you live. I just wanted you to know Paradise is where the heart is!

Dorothy Timario
Waipahu, HI

Best to vets

To the Editor:
I would like to send best wishes all my veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Vietnam Vet Motorcycle Club, the Legacy Vet Motorcycle Club, Vince Edgington, Kelli Pintane, Christian Wilson, Joseph Arnds, Jimi Pulliam, and all who have served and continue to serve.
And, of course, my son Mikhail Green. A great big thank you all.

Tamara Levintza
Willits

Frustrated by system

To the Editor:
I am a single father, an American citizen and a disabled veteran living in the Ukiah Valley and am very upset and or discouraged by the local child development programs. I jumped all the hoops and filed the paperwork, to be told in a letter that I "exceed the income" for my almost 4 year old daughter to receive any assistance or begin a preschool.
This is based on being single, making \$13 an hour. Prior to this issue, I was unable to receive any medical assistance for my daughter as well because I "made too much." Now what I am trying to figure out is how I make too much money? I understand it is based on the national poverty level. However, do the math on my income versus the cost of living here in Ukiah, gas prices, car insurance, food and all of life's other expenses, and then someone please tell me "I make too much money" for my child to receive any help.
I am so tired of people in this community, whether legal citizens or not receiving benefits, cash aid and WIC and whatnot, yet are driving brand new vehicles, having nice things and gloating in the fact they get these free services; yet I am struggling and trying to do right by my daughter and cannot receive any help. I think some one should step in and straighten these types of issues out. Maybe it is just me, and maybe it is just because I am upset at the letter of denial I received today, but I truly feel this is wrong and every child deserves some help.

B. Ramsey
Ukiah

Pass it along

To the Editor:
You were nice enough a while back to publish a note of mine.
As a public service, without more tax base in mind, and like the Hearst paper used to control the politician's use points in my note to better use the Masonite land, so more people can have jobs and have the dignity a horse in the field has.

LETTER POLICY

The Daily Journal welcomes letters to the editor. All letters must include a clear name, signature, return address and phone number. Letters chosen for publication are generally published in the order they are received, but shorter, concise letters are given preference. We publish most of the letters we receive, but we cannot guarantee publication. Names will not be withheld for any reason. If we are aware that you are connected to a local organization or are an elected official writing about the organization or body on which you serve, that will be included in your signature. If you want to make it clear you are not speaking for that organization, you should do so in your letter. All letters are subject to editing without notice. Editing is generally limited to removing statements that are potentially libelous or are not suitable for a family newspaper. Form letters that are clearly part of a write-in campaign will not be published. You may drop letters off at our office at 590 S. School St., or fax letters to 468-3544, mail to Letters to the Editor, P.O. Box 749, Ukiah, 95482 or e-mail them to udj@pacific.net. E-mail letters should also include hometown and a phone number.

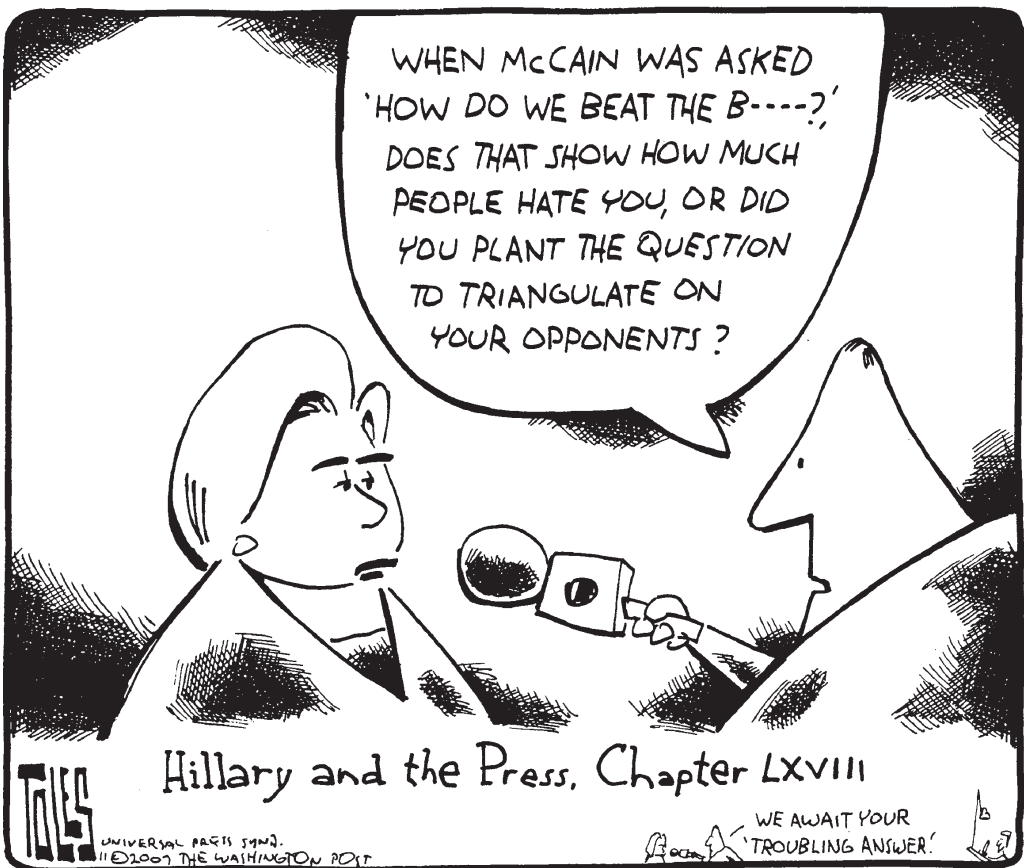
ON EDITORIALS

Daily Journal editorials are written by Editor K.C. Meadows with the concurrence of Publisher Kevin McConnell.

In our opinion
Let the Palace go

We appreciate the desires of a local group of citizens hoping once and for all to give the Palace Hotel a new life. The Friends of the Palace say they are talking with the hotel's Bay Area owner about moving forward with an economic renovation of the hotel to save its historic bones and give it purpose again.
We're all for that. We were all for it a year ago. We were all for it five years ago. We were all for it 10 years ago. And 15.
How many times has this community heard another hopeful prediction from a community group or city government representative or the Palace owner herself.
And nothing has happened except that the old Palace Hotel has gotten increasingly dilapidated and dangerous and frankly, just needs to be put out of its misery.
We think that it's well beyond time for the Ukiah City Council to set a firm date, say Feb. 15, for the owner to commit to a renovation plan or the sale of the hotel to a specific someone who will. Barring that, the city should simply proceed with eminent domain proceedings or even condemnation and take control of the hotel.

To see the Palace Hotel go would have to be recorded as a failure by several city administrations to save it, but to keep it up in its present state would be worse, a failure by the city to protect the health and safety of the citizens who walk and drive by it every day.
The Palace is much more than just an eyesore now. We understand there is actually grass growing in some places inside. The Fire Department long ago said it would not send firefighters inside if it caught fire. Someday some homeless person or reckless teenager will be killed in the building and then we will all wonder how we could have allowed this to go on so long.
It's time to give up the dream and start working with reality.



In their first five years of life, a child at home forms his native learning ability. If a child goes to school from a trailer park setting, the teacher does not have a chance to better his or her thought process, if the parents do not have that dignity or space.
Your newspaper is not just to pass on the bad news, but to influence our government and people to better our valley's way of life.
Do not just quote me, but do what a newspaper is for.

Gene Hoggren
Redwood Valley

Need limits on pot near schools

To the Editor:
In your Nov. 7 article regarding the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors' discussion of a medical marijuana cultivation ordinance, you left out a request made at the meeting by the Anderson Valley Community Action Coalition. We recommended that the growing/cultivating of medical marijuana be restricted from the area within a school drug free zone, or 1,000 feet from a school.
Anderson Valley Junior and High School students walked by hundreds of medical marijuana plants on their way to school last

year, at the corner of Highway 128 and Mountain View Road. This fall, the scent of plants at the elementary school has been, and continues to be, pervasive on school grounds. We asked the BOS for their help to keep our school drug free zones drug free. Hopefully, the people of the South Coast and around Mendocino County would not consider such a restriction an abuse of the direct initiative.

Collen Schenck
Boonville

Family tree optional

To the Editor:
In response to Robert Jones's letter on Nov. 16, I must say I have to apologize for not inserting my family tree into the article. I did not know it was a requirement when a letter was submitted.
Mr. Jones, I am related to half the people in Mendocino County. I may even be related to you, as my grandfather's last name was Jones. Some of my relatives are also Native Americans who have lived along the Eel and in the Covelo area forever.
You must see the forest for the trees, Mr. Jones. May your water supply be plentiful!

Wayne Sizemore
Willits

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From the desk of



RUBEN NAVARRETTE JR.

Any AG needs to keep options open

I'm not used to agreeing with Sens. Chuck Schumer and Dianne Feinstein on anything regarding the Justice Department. So imagine my surprise now that these Democrats and I agree that Michael Mukasey deserved to be confirmed as attorney general.
When Schumer and Feinstein helped run Mukasey's predecessor, Alberto Gonzales, from office, I defended the attorney general against an attack that I thought was unfair, dishonest and political.
Water under the bridge. I mention it only because it's worth remembering that liberals tried to justify their assault on Gonzales in the noblest of terms. They had to portray their opposition as part of a larger cause for, while the scandal that ended Gonzales' tenure at Justice was about fired U.S. attorneys, it soon became clear that he hadn't broken the law or exceeded his authority.

The Democrats insist that their jihad against Gonzales wasn't about politics or hurting President Bush or discrediting a Hispanic Republican. It was about torture. Yeah, that's it. What was troubling, they said, was that "Torture Boy" (the liberal blogs' condescending nickname for Gonzales) gave Bush too much power and he himself condoned torture.
Some of the criticism of Gonzales is justified. He was a horrid communicator. And while I thought the former attorney general got a raw deal from Senate Democrats, I have also always believed that Gonzales and Co. gave a raw deal to terrorism suspects, such as when he dismissed as "quaint" the protections afforded prisoners of war under the Geneva Conventions.

In March, during my last sit-down interview with Gonzales, we discussed a previous column in which I had written that terror suspects were entitled to habeas corpus, which prevents the government from locking people up without charges. Gonzales said he was disappointed in the column. I told Gonzales that I thought terror suspects were entitled to these rights, and he told me that I was wrong. We agreed to disagree.

But these are administration policies. Gonzales merely executed them. Besides, Gonzales may not have been the liberals' choice to head the Justice Department, but he was President Bush's choice. If Democrats want to fill Cabinet spots, they ought to try winning the White House. Once Gonzales resigned, President Bush chose Mukasey, a retired federal judge, to replace him.

Enter Schumer and Feinstein, who played a pivotal role in helping get Mukasey's nomination out of the Senate Judiciary Committee and on to the full Senate. It was their support that helped turn the tide in Mukasey's favor, after five out of the 10 Democrats on the committee had already come out against him.

So, from that, you might assume that Mukasey had gone on record as being opposed to torture and intent on limiting presidential power.

Not even close. Much to the disappointment of civil libertarians, Mukasey went in the other direction during his confirmation hearings. He maintained that the president could ignore certain laws if they interfere with his constitutional authority "to defend the country," he refused to describe the simulated-drowning process known as waterboarding as a form of torture, and he dodged most of the questions about the administration's domestic spying program.

It was positively Gonzalesque. And it didn't get by the 40 Senate Democrats who voted against the nomination. Nor did it escape the American Civil Liberties Union, which expressed disappointment once Mukasey was confirmed.

Yet this isn't about making the ACLU happy. It's about how hard it can be to live up to one's rhetoric in politics. It's about Feinstein and Schumer and the four other Senate Democrats -- Evan Bayh of Indiana, Tom Carper of Delaware, Mary Landrieu of Louisiana and Ben Nelson of Nebraska -- who broke ranks to vote to confirm Mukasey, saying one thing when it suited their purpose of getting rid of Gonzales and then tap-dancing in the other direction in order to back Mukasey. And it's about the built-in conflict that Americans are going to have as long as we nominate and confirm attorneys general while we're at war with terrorists -- which we're told could be the case for generations.

I don't fault Mukasey for not wanting to limit presidential authority or define waterboarding as a form of torture. I have come to understand that, in the post 9/11 era, any nominee for attorney general has to keep his or her options open -- something that the former occupant of the office tried to tell us before he was hustled out the door.

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Getting through the holidays with some will power intact

When I first starting writing this column, I decided to focus on the thoughts, feelings, and beliefs required to lose weight. That doesn't preclude me providing some practical advice now and then. Since the holidays are one of the more difficult times, it seemed appropriate to offer a few suggestions that have (usually) guided me safely through this time of year. You will not find a collection of low-fat recipes or traditional diet tips forthwith; I leave those to others who excel in that arena. Instead, I hope these few thoughts and ideas triggers inspiration on how to help your diet survive the remainder of the year.

1) Set realistic expectations
Losing weight during December is unlike other months. That's not an excuse to consume an entire pecan pie or two pounds of Hanukkah Gelt; but don't expect to find it as easy as it is other times of the year. (Of course, I'm not sure it's ever "easy" but you get my drift, right?) Be gentle on yourself if you slip up, just don't give up.

2) Realize the holidays do not envelop every day of December
In reality, there are only about seven to ten troublesome days dur-

ing November and December. Although that may be more concentrated than other periods, it still leaves a lot of time to maintain control. On a calendar, mark down the days that will be the most difficult, including travel and visitors. Once you actually see the tough times, it relieves some of the stress and allows you to plan better for those periods.

3) THINK. THINK. THINK.
Excessive eating is a habit, a pattern of activity done without thinking. To weaken a habit, one must therefore slow down and engage brain cells. How? Wait ten minutes before eating. If, at the end of that period, you still feel the urge, have ONE. Repeat the waiting cycle before getting seconds. Most people find they get busy during the delay and forget the temptation. It might not stop excesses, but delaying what you consume still helps reduce calories over the long haul.

4) Realize no one is overweight "because of the holidays"

We tend to think that we'd be thinner if it weren't for the indulgences of the holidays. Reality check: If the only time overweight people ate excessively was during



Striving for Imperfection
By Scott Marcus

holidays, we wouldn't be overweight. Assuming we indulge at every celebration (including those such as Flag Day and Admissions Day) we're still only counting about 30 days a year, less than ten percent of the time. The holidays don't throw us off; it's all that time in between holidays where we continue on our eating spree. We say, "Well, as long as I blew it, I might as well start again when the holi-

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days are over."

I don't mean to burst a bubble, but the holidays — at least those around this time of year — have been in existence for a few thousand years. They are not stopping anytime soon. However, with some forethought and focus, one can stop the yearly weight cycle and really have something healthy to celebrate

in January.

Scott "Q" Marcus is a THINSpirational speaker and author. Since losing 70 pounds over 13 years ago, he conducts speeches, workshops, and presentations throughout the country. He can be reached at 707.442.6243. For more ideas to survive the holidays, visit www.ForeverFightingFat.com.

HEALTH CALENDAR

ALANON: Family and friends of alcoholics; 5:30 p.m. on Mondays, noon on Tuesdays, noon on Fridays and 10:30 on Saturdays; Calvary Baptist Church, 465 Luce Ave.; 463-1867 or 621-2721.

Alateen: Meets Thursdays 8 to 9 p.m.; Calvary Baptist Church, 465 Luce Ave., enter at east side back door; 463-1867 or 621-2721.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Daily; call 462-7123, www.aaukiah.org.

Breastfeeding Support Group: meets second Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to noon and fourth Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to noon; Mendocino County Public Health – WIC office, 1120 S. Dora; Tess O'Connell, 472-2739.

Celebrate Recovery: Christ-centered 12-step recovery; Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church Hall, South Dora Street and Luce Ave, 6 p.m. fellowship dinner; 7 p.m. teaching/testimony; 8 p.m. men and women's small group sharing; 9 p.m. dessert/solid rock cafe. Babysitting provided. For more information call 462-6535.

Childbirth classes: Learn about nutrition during pregnancy, preparing for childbirth, breastfeeding and infant safety. Thursdays, 6 to 8 p.m., 333 Laws Ave., in Ukiah, 472-4603.

Community Healing Clinic: 20- to 30-minute sessions on a walk-in basis with a variety of health practitioners; Second Tuesday of each month, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.; Full Circle Wellness Resource Center,

530 S. Main St. in Ukiah; 463-0777; www.fullcirclewellness.org.

Council on Domestic Violence: First Wednesday, 1:30 to 3 p.m., Public Health Department, 1120 S. Dora St., Conference Room 198, in Ukiah except for May and October, which will be held at 10-Mile Court, 700 S. Franklin St. in Fort Bragg, 472-2699.

La Leche League: Breastfeeding group; meets second Tuesday, various times; Nursery Room at Presbyterian Church, corner of S. Dora and W. Perkins; Margaret Turano, 468-9587.

Look Good Feel Better: Classes are from 10 a.m. to noon on the second Monday of each month. This program pairs women with licensed cosmetologists to eliminate the appearance related side effects of cancer treatment. This is a free class offered by the American Cancer Society at 115 E. Smith St. in Ukiah. For more information, call 462-7642 ext. 3.

Low Vision Support Group: 10 to 11:30 a.m.; Fourth Monday; at Henny Penny Restaurant, 687 S. Orchard Ave., Ukiah; open to local seniors; call 523-3222

NAMI: (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill Family Support Group) first and third Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.; call 972-9040, 485-8033, or 467-9116 for location and information. Nami is an organization dedicated to improving the lives of people with brain disorders by providing mutual support, education and advocacy.

Multiple Sclerosis Self-help Group: People with multiple sclerosis can take one more step toward ending effects of MS at the Ukiah group; sponsored by the National MS Society; 7 p.m.; second Tuesday.

Men's Cancer Support Group: Group on summer hiatus, call for one-on-one with staff. A supportive place to share your cancer experience; second and fourth Wednesdays of each month; 6 to 7:30 p.m.; at their new offices at 590 S. Dora St.; Mendocino Cancer Resource Center; 467-3828.

Narcotics Anonymous: Meetings throughout county; 485-9110.

New Life Workshop: Do you need help managing your weight? Noon to 1 p.m. Thursdays; Salvation Army, 714 A S. State St., Ukiah; 468-9577.

Overeaters Anonymous: Mondays at 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays at 11 a.m.; 741 S. Oak St.; 472-4747.

Sweet Success: The

California Diabetes and Pregnancy Program; support for special pregnancies in which women have diabetes; planning pregnancy or are pregnant, need extra support; 463-7527.

Tantalizing Tuesdays: Series of health related evening discussions; First and third Tuesdays; Full Circle Wellness Resource Center, 530 S. Main St. in Ukiah; from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; 463-0777; www.fullcirclewellness.org.

T.O.P.S.: (Take off pounds sensibly): Meets from 9:15 to 10:30 a.m., every Tuesday, at Calvary Baptist Church, 465 Luce Ave; Carolyn Madole, 463-0261.

T.O.P.S.: Low-cost, non-profit group meets every Tuesday at Autumn Leaves, 425 E. Gobbi St., in the community room. Weigh-in is from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. Meeting is from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.; Linda MacDonald, 467-2391.

T.O.P.S.: Every Thursday at Washington Mutual Building community room, 700 S. State St.; meeting is from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.; it is a low-cost, weight-reduction support group; call 462-4901 or 485-

7801.

T.O.P.S.: Every Friday at the Meadows Mobile Court clubhouse, 8686 East Road, Redwood Valley; weigh-in is from 9:30 to 11 a.m.; meeting is from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; call 485-8260 or 485-1238.

Ukiah Community Center Crisis Line: Need help? Call 463-help (4357) or 1 (800) 575-help (4357).

Ukiah Diabetes Education: The Diabetes Education Group; 7 p.m.; second Monday; 463-7698.

Ukiah Valley Blood Center/Blood Centers of the Pacific: Mondays, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; 620 Kings Ct., Suite 110; make appointment, donate, schedule blood drive at workplace; 1 (888) 393-GIVE.

Weight-loss Surgery Support Group: Free, open to the public, Gastric Reduction Duodenal Switch (GRDS) support and informa-

tion group; 1st Friday; 6 to 8 p.m.; Bartlett Hall, Ukiah Senior Center, 499 Leslie Street, Ukiah; 468-8763 or email kathlyn@pacific.net.

Weight Watchers: Redwood Valley Weight Watchers meet at the Redwood Valley Cafe and are hosted by Redwood Valley Fitness on 9620 N. State St. Their leader is Laurel of Ukiah Weight Watchers. For more information, call 485-5696.

Women's Cancer Support Group: A supportive place to share your cancer experience; first and third Tuesday of each month; noon to 1 p.m.; at their new offices at 590 S. Dora St.; Mendocino Cancer Resource Center; 467-3828.

If you — or the organization that you represent — change a phone number, an address, or any information in this calendar, please call at the Ukiah Daily Journal at 468-3520, or e-mail us at udfeatures@pacific.net.

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The city of Ukiah and the Ukiah High Wildcats would like to announce the beginning of registration for a baseball clinic supervised by UHS baseball coaching staff. This clinic is completely free and will be held every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3:00 p.m. till 5:00 p.m. beginning on December 4th. This clinic will teach every aspect of the game, from hitting and base running to pitching and fielding and so much more. The clinic is open to boys ages 13-17 all the way through the end of January. Pre-registration is the only requirement and in order to do so go to the City of Ukiah office at 411 W. Clay St. Call 463-6201 for more info.

2007 Redwood
Classic Basketball
Tournament

The 50th annual Redwood Classic Basketball Tournament is set to kick off the new season November 28-Dec. 1st, at the Anderson Valley High School gym in Boonville. The Redwood Classic is oldest and largest small school tournament in California. Local teams invited include: Anderson Valley, Mendocino, Point Arena, St. Vincent, Cloverdale and Upper Lake. The out of area teams are: Branson, Crystal Springs-Hillsborough, Tulelake, International, Valley Christian-Roseville, South Fork, Hoopa, CA School for the Deaf, Stuart Hall and Colusa. The tournament begins at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 28th. Single day ticket prices are \$5 for adults, \$3 students and seniors and souvenir programs cost \$5.

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UHS J.V. boys begin season even

For The Daily Journal

Ukiah High School's Basketball season is once again in full swing as it opened the week 1-1.

In their first match on Friday afternoon, November 23rd, the Ukiah High Junior Varsity Basketball team opened their season on the road vs. the Sonoma Dragons.

The wildcats appeared to be still suffering from

Thanksgiving second helpings as throughout the first half, turnovers, Dragon hustle, superiority on the boards and foul trouble plagued the Wildcats.

In the second half Ukiah picked up the tempo, played more physically, and battled Sonoma evenly.

Despite the final score of 56-41 Dragons, Coach Jeff Silva-Brown found some positives.

"Edgar Perez scored 12 and played a solid game, Troy Miles battled at both ends of the court and Scott Reagan in his first High School game also scored 12," he said.

The next day, the Wildcats evened their record at 1-1 with a 60-48 win over the Windsor Jaguars. The Jaguars jumped out to an early lead but at the end of the fast-paced first quarter, the Cats were up 19-18.

Ukiah increased its lead to 38-32 by the half. Jessie Williams led all scorers with 22, highlighted by some excellent fast break assists. Mendosa added 12, Regan 11, Schuler 8, and Sam Stump 5.

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File Photo

Daunte Culpepper is due to make his third straight start as the Raider's quarterback in the next game.

Raiders snap losing streaks

By JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer

ALAMEDA — Only 15 players on the Oakland Raiders' active roster were part of the team for the entire 17-game losing streak against AFC West rivals.

Only three assistant coaches have endured all of those losses to Kansas City, Denver and San Diego.

However, the weight of the streak was carried by every member of the team, and that's what made its end on Sunday so satisfying.

"For us who are new, it felt like we hadn't won a divisional game in forever and it had been three," said coach Lane Kiffin, who was a 29-year-old wide receivers coach at Southern California when Oakland

last beat a division rival.

"We lost one to Kansas City so I can imagine what it was like for our players and organization. It's a step in the right direction but it doesn't mean much if we don't go out and play well this week."

By beating the Chiefs 20-17 on Sunday, Oakland snapped the longest division losing streak since the AFL-NFL merger in 1970, ended a franchise-worst nine-game skid to Kansas City and snapped a six-game losing streak this season. Oakland's previous win in the division was a 25-24 victory at Denver on Nov. 28, 2004.

Now, as the Raiders begin to prepare for Sunday's home game against Denver, the players can

think about starting a winning streak instead of snapping a losing one.

"It just feels good, especially to get a division win, especially on the road," safety Stuart Schweigert said. "We have another division opponent this week. It definitely builds momentum. Having (Monday) off was very nice. Get to come in and relax, take things at your own pace. It's a win, but by tomorrow it should be forgotten and we're ready to get on Denver."

The division losing streak began with a loss to Kansas City the week after that win in Denver in 2004, when Norv Turner was the coach and Kerry Collins the quarterback.

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Nutt resigns, Gailey fired

By RACHEL COHEN
AP Sports Writer

The same day Texas A&M entrusted its program to one former NFL head coach, Georgia Tech decided to end the tenure of another.

Coaches were coming and going Monday around college football as each school searched for a winning formula.

Georgia Tech fired Chan Gailey, the ex-Dallas Cowboys coach, while Texas A&M hired Mike Sherman, the ex-Green Bay Packers coach. Arkansas' Houston Nutt and Washington State's Bill Doba also departed days after emotional wins.

Indiana gave interim coach Bill Lynch a four-year contract after he led the Hoosiers to their most successful season in 14 years.

Duke fired Ted Roof, who went 2-3 as an interim coach in 2003 to earn the full-time job then won just four more games the next four seasons.

At Southern Mississippi and Colorado State, two longtime, successful coaches were on their way out after disappointing years.

Southern Miss' Jeff Bower resigned after 14 straight winning seasons and 10 bowl invitations in 11 years.

Colorado State has offered Sonny Lubick a job as an associate athletic director but school officials stopped short of saying he has been fired or has resigned.

Sherman, an assistant head coach with the Houston Texans for two seasons, will return to the school where he was the offensive line coach from 1989-93 and in 1995-96 under R.C. Slocum.

He replaces Dennis Franchione, who resigned Friday.

Sherman signed a seven-year con-

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Nolan rewards Niners Amazed at possibility

By GREG BEACHAM
AP Sports Writer

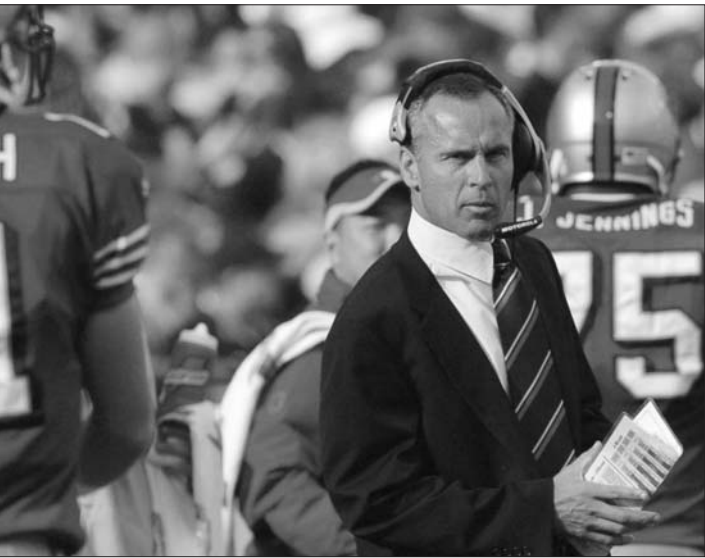
SANTA CLARA — Nobody can accuse the San Francisco 49ers of not enjoying their successes, no matter how small they might be.

A day after the Niners stopped their eight-game losing streak with a 37-31 overtime victory in Arizona, coach Mike Nolan gave his players part of Monday off to reflect on their accomplishments. They even got a souvenir to remember it by: Nolan awarded game balls to every player.

In another city, such effusiveness over a midseason win might be laughable. For the 49ers (3-8), who already are guaranteed their fifth consecutive season without a winning record, any cause for celebration must be embraced these days.

"The eight-week span was a difficult one on everyone," Nolan said Monday after he avoided becoming the first coach in 49ers history to lose nine consecutive games. "I'd like to see with the five weeks remaining after this, that we start a streak unlike the one we were just in."

For the offense, a break



File Photo

Niners coach Mike Nolan relieved his players for part of the day Monday as a reward for their victory.

was well deserved after the first solid performance of San Francisco's entire season. Though the final result was only possible because of a missed field goal by the Cardinals' Neil Rackers and an improbable end-zone fumble by Kurt Warner, the 49ers (3-8) moved the ball with purpose and flair for much of regulation.

San Francisco recorded

season highs with 37 points, 374 total yards, 237 yards passing, 137 yards rushing and 21 first downs. Frank Gore came through with a solid game in a frustrating season, rushing for a season-high 116 yards and catching a career-high 11 passes for 98 more.

After the 49ers' highest-

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By KEN PETERS
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES — Even the UCLA Bruins are amazed at the possibility.

"If everything goes right for us, we're going to be in the Rose Bowl. Who would have ever guessed that UCLA, 7-5, would be playing in the Rose Bowl?" tailback Chris Markey said.

Bruins safety Dennis Keyes can hardly believe it.

"I think everybody counted us out after we went through our midseason slide. To be playing this game with a possible chance to go to the Rose Bowl is definitely crazy," he said.

"It's something we didn't envision happening this way. But our goal was to do this anyway."

Those Bruins who lost to Utah and Notre Dame, who have a 6-5 record and 5-3 Pac-10 mark, do indeed have a shot at a Rose Bowl berth, although it's not completely in their hands. They have to beat No. 8 Southern California on Saturday at the Coliseum and have Arizona upset No. 13 Arizona State.

Keyes said he and his teammates can't be pondering all the ramifications.

"All we can think about now is SC and winning that game. The rest will take care of itself," he said. "Even if Arizona wins and we come out with a loss, all that's for nothing."

The Bruins, coming off a 16-0 victory over quarterback-depleted Oregon, are expected to be close to full strength for the first time since early in the season.

No. 1 quarterback Ben Olson, who had been out with a knee injury, played the second half against Oregon, and backup Pat Cowan, sidelined by a concussion and slight lung collapse, has been cleared to practice this week. Markey, the team's leading rusher and receiver last year, had been out with toe and ankle injuries, but he returned against the Ducks and gained 91 yards on 30 carries.

"It definitely feels like we're getting a second start, especially being in contention for the Rose Bowl," Keyes said.

Coach Karl Dorrell proba-

bly won't say until late in the week which quarterback will open against the Trojans (9-2, 6-2), who can clinch the Rose Bowl berth with a win.

"We'll see how (Ben) feels. We'll see how Pat works during the week as well, and Osaar (Rasshan) we're going to bring along, too. There is a possibility we might use more than one quarterback. We're going to explore anything and everything for us to have some productivity this week."

With Olson and Cowan out, the Bruins were forced to use two inexperienced quarterbacks, Rasshan and walk-on McLeod Bethel-Thompson, in several games.

"I think other teams know what it feels like when you lose your quarterback and what you have to deal with to try to make things continue to be productive," Dorrell said. "It's been that kind of year in the Pac-10."

Markey believes all the injuries took their toll.

"This season we've had our ups and downs. We've just been an injury-prone team; a lot of our key guys have been down,"

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tract that will pay him \$1.8 million a year.

“I’m not going to delve into something unless I feel like we have a legitimate chance to win championships,” he said.

The 52-year-old Sherman hasn’t coached in college since leaving A&M to become an assistant in Green Bay in 1996.

He’ll coach the remainder of the season for the Texans (5-6).

Sherman became the Packers’ head coach in 2000, and Green Bay went 59-43 and won three NFC North titles in his six seasons.

The Packers also produced two of the four highest-scoring seasons in franchise history.

Gailey was 44-32 in six years at Georgia Tech. He never lost fewer than five games in a season and was 0-6 against rival Georgia.

Defensive coordinator Jon Tenuta will take over as interim coach for the bowl, and he will be a candidate for the job permanently.

Georgia Tech (7-5) came up far short of another run at the Atlantic Coast Conference championship one year after winning its division.

“Nobody likes to get fired,” Gailey said. “But all they can take is your job. They can’t take your faith. They can’t take your family. They can’t take your integrity.”

Rumors of Nutt’s departure surrounded the program after the loss last winter of key recruits and a popular assistant coach.

Trouble mounted for the coach after the Razorbacks lost their first three Southeastern Conference games.

Arkansas rebounded to finish the regular season 8-4 and knocked LSU out of the nation’s No. 1 spot with a 50-48, triple-overtime victory Friday. Defensive coordinator Reggie Herring will coach the team in its bowl.

Nutt, who resigned Monday, went 75-48 at Arkansas since being hired in December 1997.

“Houston’s decision to resign was neither forced, or encouraged, or requested,” Chancellor John A. White said.

Doba said he will not return at Washington State after a 5-7 season in which the team missed going to a bowl game for a fourth consecutive year.

In what was called a mutual decision, Doba and WSU athletic director Jim Sterk said Doba decided during a Monday morning meeting he would step down after five seasons.

He was 30-29 at

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-Chan Gailey

Washington State, including Saturday’s 42-35 win over Washington, which gave him a 3-2 record against the Cougars’ rival.

Doba, 67, blamed widespread speculation that he would be fired for damaging his ability to recruit, and said he wanted to take a break after four decades of coaching.

“I felt with all the negative press and Internet, and all the rumors, it was difficult, and with my age, to go out and recruit,” Doba said during an emotional news teleconference from Pullman. “I have no regrets and no animosity.”

Lynch replaced the late Terry Hoepfner in June and led Indiana to a 7-5 regular season.

The Hoosiers are in position to receive their first bowl bid since 1993.

The new four-year contract gives Lynch, who was the Big Ten’s lowest-paid coach this season, a base salary of about \$250,000 plus \$300,000 for promotional activities.

The move provides the program with some much-needed stability.

Lynch is the fourth coach at Indiana since 2001, following Cam Cameron, Gerry DiNardo and Hoepfner, one of Lynch’s closest friends.

Roof went 6-45 at Duke. The Blue Devils lost at least 10 games in three straight seasons, including a winless 2006.

After snapping a 22-game losing streak with a victory at Northwestern, Duke dropped nine straight to finish this season 1-11.

The Blue Devils have lost 25 consecutive Atlantic Coast Conference games.

Bower spent 29 years at Southern Miss as a quarterback, assistant and head coach.

He was 119-82-1 in 17 seasons and had been in the same job longer than all but three coaches in the Football Bowl Subdivision.

Only Penn State’s Joe Paterno (42), Florida State’s Bobby Bowden (32) and Virginia Tech’s Frank Beamer (21) have longer tenures.

The season had been a disappointment for Bower and Southern Miss.

Picked to win Conference USA, the Golden Eagles stumbled to a 2-3 start and finished 7-5.

Only Florida State (31), Michigan (23), Florida (20) and Virginia Tech (15) have



more consecutive winning seasons.

A terse Bower did not sound like the resignation was completely voluntary.

“I want you to know there’s a lot of fight left in Jeff Bower, and I am not done yet,” the grim-faced coach said.

Bower did not take questions after making a short statement flanked by his wife and daughter.

After meeting with athletic director Richard Giannini earlier Monday, Bower resigned.

Colorado State president Larry Penley said the school and Lubick are in “retirement negotiations.” He said students, boosters and alumni have become frustrated with the program’s performance.

Lubick, who has two years remaining on his contract, is 108-74 in 15 seasons and led the Rams to nine bowl games. But they went 3-9 this season and haven’t had a winning record since 2003.

At Northern Illinois, Joe Novak, who spent the last 12 seasons building the program, retired Monday, two days after the Huskies finished 2-10.

Novak, 62, spent 16 years at NIU, including the past 12 as head coach.

He compiled a 63-75 record while leading the Huskies to two bowl games, seven straight winning seasons (2000-06) and three upset wins over top-25 teams.

In 2003, the Huskies beat No. 15 Maryland and No. 21 Alabama and were ranked as high as No. 12 in the nation, while setting a school record with 10 wins.

AP Sports Writers Chris Duncan in College Station, Texas, Michael Marot in Bloomington, Ind., Joedy McCreary in Durham, N.C., Paul Newberry in Atlanta, Chris Talbott in Hattiesburg, Miss., and Noah Trister in Fayetteville, Ark., contributed to this report.

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The skid to the Chiefs dated back even longer as the Raiders hadn’t beaten Kansas City since a 24-0 win in the final game of the 2002 season. The losses to Kansas City had been especially galling, with eight of the nine coming by seven points or fewer.

There was Larry Johnson’s game-winning touchdown run on the final play two years ago. There were last-minute interceptions by Jarrad Page to thwart comeback attempts by Oakland in the previous two meetings.

“You think about that on the way to the stadium, during warmups,” running back Justin Fargas said. “Even during the game, you think, ‘Man, they’ve gotten us so many times, and it’s been so close so many times.’ You’re tired of coming out on the losing end. It’s about time that the Raiders and the Raider Nation got the feel of a win over the Chiefs.”

When the Chiefs drove to the Oakland 23, trailing by three points with less than 5 minutes remaining, it looked like the same old story.

But Kirk Morrison and Thomas Howard stopped Kolby Smith on a fourth-and-1 run. The Raiders were able to run out the final 4:22, getting a 21-yard run from Fargas with 1:54 remaining to clinch it.

After talking all season about finishing games, the Raiders delivered with key plays on both sides of the ball.

“The last time that we go out on defense it’s fourth-and-1 and we stop them,” Kiffin said. “And then on offense you finish with 4 1/2 minutes to go. That’s very satisfying from a coaching standpoint, to see the team respond in the way that you’d like to draw it up.”

Fargas finished with 139 yards rushing, ending yet another streak. He became the first Raiders’ back 100 yards rushing at Arrowhead Stadium since Art Whittington gained 134 on Nov. 5, 1978.

If the Raiders are to start an AFC West winning streak this week against Denver it will be with Daunte Culpepper as quarterback. Kiffin said Culpepper would make his third straight start this week, completing 15 of 22 passes for 170 yards and no interceptions.

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Taylor shot in Florida

By MATT SEDENSKY Associated Press Writer

PALMETTO BAY, Fla. — Washington Redskins star safety Sean Taylor was in critical condition Monday after he was shot during what police are investigating as a possible armed robbery at his home.

The 24-year-old player was in the intensive care unit following several hours of surgery at Jackson Memorial Hospital, although doctors were encouraged late in the day when Taylor responded to simple commands.

“He was responsive to the doctor’s request to squeeze his hand and show facial expression, and so the doctors were very happy about that,” Redskins vice president of football operations Vinny Cerrato said. “They told us to hope for a miracle, and I think the positive news we got was extremely good news.”

Taylor lost a “significant” amount of blood because the bullet damaged his femoral artery, and doctors were worried about blood flow to the brain, according to family friend Richard Sharpstein, his former lawyer.

“The doctors are being very guarded about their prognosis,” said Sharpstein, who, like Cerrato, was at the hospital with the player’s family and friends. “They’re being a little bit skeptical about either whether he might make it or whether it might cause some permanent brain injury.”

Taylor has had problems on and off the field, and two years ago was accused of brandishing a gun. The shoot-

ing came eight days after another invasion was reported at his home. According to police records, someone pried open a front window, rifled through drawers and left a kitchen knife on a bed.

“They’re really sifting through that incident and today’s incident,” Miami-Dade Police Detective Mario Rachid said, “to see if there’s any correlation.”

Officers were sent to Taylor’s home at about 1:45 a.m. Monday after his girlfriend called 911 and said he was shot in his lower body, Miami-Dade Police Lt. Nancy Perez said. Taylor had missed the last two games because of a knee injury and was at home recuperating. He was airlifted to the hospital.

Investigators were still interviewing the girlfriend and other relatives in the home, Perez said. No arrests had been made.

“It could have been a possible burglary; it could have been a possible robbery,” Perez said. “It has not been confirmed as yet.”

Sharpstein said Taylor’s girlfriend told him the couple was awakened by loud noises, and Taylor grabbed a machete he keeps in the bedroom for protection. Someone then broke through the bedroom door and fired two shots, one missing and one hitting Taylor, the lawyer said.

“It was clearly a burglary, an armed burglary,” Sharpstein said, adding nothing appeared to have been stolen.

The shooting happened at the pale yellow house Taylor

bought two years ago in the Miami suburb of Palmetto Bay. Taylor is in his fourth season with the Redskins after playing at the University of Miami, where he was an All-American in 2003. Despite his injury, he is tied for the NFC lead with five interceptions.

Redskins owner Dan Snyder arrived in Miami on his private plane with running back Clinton Portis, Cerrato and trainer Bubba Tyer.

Taylor called coach Joe Gibbs on Nov. 19 to let him know he’d miss that morning’s regular team meeting because he was in Florida dealing with the first break-in on Nov. 17.

“I said, ‘I understand that.’ I said, ‘Take care of your house and everything you have to there,’” Gibbs recalled.

Taylor was at team headquarters Saturday to treat his knee, Gibbs said, adding he wasn’t aware the player then returned to Florida.

A group of Taylor’s fans planned a two-hour vigil Monday evening outside Redskins Park in Ashburn, Va.

“This is not just a member of the Washington Redskins,” fellow safety Pierson Prioleau said. “But we’re talking about a dad, a brother, a friend of ours, and that’s where we’re at with this right now.”

Gibbs was joined by the team chaplain at the Redskins’ usual Monday meeting. A small group of players held a separate prayer gathering.

The Redskins (5-6) lost 19-

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scoring game since 2003, Nolan resisted the temptation to place the credit on new offensive assistant Ted Tollner, hired last week to provide counsel for rookie offensive coordinator Jim Hostler.

Though Nolan emphasized Hostler’s primacy in the offensive game plan, he again compared the situation to veteran assistant Bill Arnsparger’s impact on Nolan when they were put together in a similar situation with the Washington Redskins in 1999.

“It was somebody who had done it — somebody that’s there as a little bit of security,” Nolan said. “I would like to think that (Tollner) being here makes a difference. ... All I can say is it’s a positive influence. I would like to think it just continues to get better.”

Nolan also gave rave reviews to Trent Dilfer, who went 25-of-39 for 256 yards and two touchdowns. Nolan raised eyebrows when said Dilfer provided the best quarterback play of Nolan’s three seasons in San Francisco during last week’s loss to St.

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-Mike Nolan

Louis.

“He did even better than he did last week,” Nolan said. “I think everyone would agree in watching that game. Since he’s been playing, he seems to get better and better each week.”

The game also included another remarkable effort by 49ers linebacker Patrick Willis, who was credited with 18 tackles — the most by any 49ers player since at least 1994, though the team felt he deserved credit for more than 20.

Willis, who played with a cast on his broken hand, also made perhaps the game’s biggest tackle when he ran down Arizona receiver Sean Morey in overtime. The open-field sprint held Morey to a 62-yard catch instead of a touchdown, eventually forcing the Cardinals to try Rackers’ field goal attempt.

“It’s impressive, but I’m not surprised because he does have outstanding speed,” Willis said. “He’s got outstanding desire. Chasing

somebody down not only has to do with your speed, it has to do with your want, and he’s not short on either one of those.”

On the flight home, assistant head coach Mike Singletary leaned across the aisle to Nolan and said, “Patrick’s special.”

Though the 49ers were given a few hours to bask in their success, Nolan realizes his club has a chance for a strong finish that probably would guarantee his job security for 2008 with a few more weeks of concerted effort.

San Francisco’s next three opponents have losing records, starting with Sunday’s visit to the Carolina Panthers, who have lost five straight and are 0-5 in Charlotte this season.

“We’ve got an awful lot to play for,” Nolan said. “We’ve got five weeks, five games. That can add up to a lot of good football. I think (Sunday) was a good example of the capabilities of our football team.”

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Patriots record still perfect

By **HOWARD ULMAN**
AP Sports Writer
FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Maybe the Patriots aren't so perfect.

Eight blowout wins in their first eight games almost made it seem that way. But they never believed the hype and neither did the Philadelphia Eagles.

Now, with two close calls in the last three games, New England has given opponents more reason to hope that they could be the one to knock off the juggernaut trying to fashion the NFL's first unbeaten season in 35 years.

Baltimore gets the next chance when it hosts the Patriots next Monday night amid all the chatter about prospects for a perfect record.

"I don't care what everybody else thinks," coach Bill Belichick said Monday. "I can tell you what this team thinks. Right now we're thinking about getting ready for Baltimore."

The Patriots did improve to 11-0 and clinched the AFC East title even before their 31-28 win over the Eagles on Sunday night. But they were tested by a .500 team with backup A.J. Feeley at quarterback that was within range of a tying field goal before he threw an interception with 3:52 left.

The final margin was the smallest in a season when the Patriots have averaged 40.2 points and outscored opponents by 23.4 per game. It was even tighter than their 24-20 win at Indianapolis on Nov. 4, when they didn't get the go-ahead touchdown until 3:21 remained.

Linebacker Adalius Thomas expects more close games down the stretch.

"You guys expect that if it's not a blowout or anything like that there's something wrong," Thomas told reporters. "You have good teams in this league. Philadelphia's a good team. And so there's going to be more games like that."

It wasn't just the closeness of the game that gave Patriots fans cause for concern whether their team could be the first to go unbeaten in the regular season and playoffs since the 1972 Miami Dolphins.

There also was this to mull over on both offense and defense:

—Tom Brady threw for just one touchdown, the first time this season he didn't have at least three, and was sacked three times, matching his season high. On Monday, he talked at his locker with Belichick for about 10 minutes, then left with his left

'We're not expecting to go out there and have a blowout every week.'

-Ty Warren

elbow wrapped in ice but without speaking with reporters.

—The Patriots had just one planned running play in the first half and rushed just 16 times for 48 yards.

—The defense allowed Feeley, a seven-year veteran but a backup for all but one season, to throw for a career-high 345 yards with three touchdown passes.

—The 28 points allowed tied the Patriots' season high, and the 391 yards Philadelphia gained were the most they've given up in any of their 11 games.

"We're not expecting to go out there and have a blowout every week," defensive end Ty Warren said. "We know that this is the National Football League and it's a copycat league and a lot of things that Philly did good this past week, a lot of teams will dissect that and try to come up with their own scheme."

"We've just got to make sure that we're not making the same mistakes we made in previous games because they can show up again."

The Ravens' chances of winning next Monday night don't seem great considering they've lost their last five games. But they have the fourth-stingiest defense in the NFL, stingier than the Eagles, who pressured Brady and controlled wide receiver Randy Moss.

Still Baltimore (4-7) has as many losses in its last five games as New England has in 2006 and 2007 combined. And the Patriots have beaten opponents by a total of 257 points. Only eight other teams have scored that many.

"Records don't mean anything," Belichick said. "The only thing that matters on Monday night is how well they play and how well we play."

He backed up his point with the Patriots' previous game against Feeley, then with Miami, on Dec. 20, 2004. Feeley led two touchdown drives in the last 2:07 for a comeback 29-28 win.

"You want to go back to the Miami game from '04? We're 12-1, they're 2-11," Belichick said. "The records don't mean anything. The only thing that matters is how you play. And coach."

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13 at Tampa Bay on Sunday. Taylor did not travel with the team to the game because of his injury. He sprained a ligament in his right knee in the second half of the Nov. 11 loss to Philadelphia and was expected to miss at least two games.

Known as one of the NFL's hardest hitters, Taylor played in his first Pro Bowl last season and drew attention by leveling the other team's punter in what is usually a well-mannered exhibition game.

Taylor has been in trouble numerous times since he was drafted No. 5 overall in 2004.

He has been fined at least seven times during his professional career for late hits and other infractions, including a \$17,000 penalty for spitting in the face of Tampa Bay running back Michael Pittman during a playoff game in January 2006. Taylor also was fined \$25,000 for skipping a mandatory rookie symposium shortly after he was drafted.

Redskins coaches and players have defended Taylor, saying he was smart and misunderstood. Taylor has been slow to let anyone in his inner circle. He has rarely spoken to reporters, saying he doesn't

trust them. Teammates said he became more mature over the last year after he became a father for the first time.

In 2005, Taylor was accused of brandishing a gun at a man and repeatedly hitting him during a fight that broke out after Taylor and some friends went looking for the people who had allegedly stolen his all-terrain vehicles.

Taylor reached a deal with prosecutors last year after they agreed to drop felony charges against him. He pleaded no contest to two misdemeanors in the assault case and was sentenced to 18 months probation. The pleas prompted another fine from the NFL but kept his football career intact.

He also was ordered to talk about the importance of education at 10 Miami schools and had to contribute \$1,000 for scholarships to each of those schools.

The man Taylor allegedly hit, Ryan Hill, sued, seeking at least \$15,000 in damages. Hill sustained bruises to his body, incurred medical expenses and lost wages because of the fight, the lawsuit said.

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Rivers doesn't deny telling fans to shut up

By **BERNIE WILSON**

AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO — Philip Rivers didn't deny that he told booing fans to shut up early in Sunday's game against the Baltimore Ravens.

Rivers had just completed an eight-yard pass on third down to Legedu Naanee, which was a yard short of a first down on San Diego's first offensive series. The fans at Qualcomm Stadium booed for the second straight play; the first time was when LaDainian Tomlinson was stuffed for no gain on second down.

Video replays appeared to show Rivers telling the fans to shut up. The Chargers would go on to beat the Ravens 32-14 to take a one-game lead over Denver in the AFC West.

Rivers said he understands why the fans were steamed.

"Again, it's an emotional game. To be honest with you, I love the fans," Rivers said with a laugh on Monday. "I mean, I really do. It was early in the game, it was the first series, you're coming off a completion, and it wasn't necessarily for me, it was kind of like for our team, like saying, 'Hey, relax a little bit.'"

"But again, we understand some of their frustrations in a sense that we were 5-5 and

expectations were so high. Again, it was nothing more than that. Shoot, we've all told our sibling or brother to shut up before and then you love them five minutes later, so I hope that's the case."

As the game unfolded, the Chargers (6-5) played the way everyone anticipated they would this year. Rivers threw three touchdown passes, including two to All-Pro tight end Antonio Gates, and went interception-free for just the third time this season. LaDainian Tomlinson had a quietly efficient game and became the 23rd player in NFL history to rush for more than 10,000 yards, and the defense regained its aggressiveness.

Still, the Chargers know it was just one game. They've been wildly inconsistent in Norv Turner's first season as head coach. They've been downright brutal on the road, going 1-4, and they'll play three of their last five games away from Qualcomm.

Up first is a visit to division rival Kansas City. The Chiefs beat the Chargers 30-16 on Sept. 30 by rallying for 24 straight points. Rivers had two interceptions and a fumble, which rookie Tyrone Brackenridge returned 50 yards for a score.

Playing better against the Ravens started with Rivers taking care of the ball. Coming in, he led the NFL with 17 turnovers.

"You don't turn it over, you throw completions, usually on offense you keep moving the ball and you give yourselves a chance," Rivers said. "Our defense created some turnovers and played well. We were able to get a lead, then slam the door."

Rivers said there was no surprise in the locker room that the defending AFC West champion Chargers could play that way.

"We just hadn't done it yet," he said. "So I think there are still a lot of things we can clean up and a lot of ways we can get better. We've got to make sure we keep getting better and we keep cleaning little things up so we can get on a roll because there's no room for error at this point."

San Diego's 6-5 record is the weakest of any division leader.

"The plan going ahead is that we've got to win every game, all five games, and just roll into the playoffs," said Pro Bowl center Nick Hardwick, who returned after missing nearly five full games with a foot injury. "I think that's got to be the mentality."

We can't say, 'Well, we've got to win three out five,' because then we're going to lose two games. So you've got to say, 'We want to win all five.' It's like a must-win five games. Then that'll give us, what, 11 wins? Shoot, that's a pretty good season, isn't it?"

Tomlinson, meanwhile, has 10,048 career rushing yards and tied boyhood idol Emmitt Smith as the fourth-fastest to crack the 10,000-yard mark, in his 106th game.

It was another milestone for the reigning NFL MVP, who set league records last year with 31 touchdowns and 186 points. Now in his seventh season, Tomlinson said he's backed off setting numbers-oriented goals — such as chasing Smith's career record of 18,355 yards — and is more concerned with winning.

"Now you want to feel the feeling of winning the championship and having something that you can always say, 'We did it as a team,'" said Tomlinson, who is 0-2 in the playoffs. "Every year when the Super Bowl time comes, you see all the teams that have won the Super Bowl and you see the stories on them and you want to be a part of that one day, where it would never ever go away in history."

50th anniversary in Los Angeles

AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES — The Dodgers will honor their 50th anniversary in Los Angeles with an exhibition game against the Boston Red Sox at the Coliseum next spring.

The game will be played March 29 and proceeds will go to the official Dodgers' charity, ThinkCure.

New manager Joe Torre was joined by owner Frank McCourt and Red Sox chairman Tom Werner on Monday outside the stadium's peristyle entrance along with Hall of Famer manager Tommy Lasorda and former Dodgers

greats Don Newcombe and Maury Wills.

— joined politicians, new Los Angeles manager Joe Torre, general manager Ned Colletti, owner Frank McCourt and Red Sox chairman Tom Werner outside the stadium's peristyle entrance to announce the game.

"There are generations of Angelenos who have grown up as Dodger fans and never had the opportunity to experience a game at the Coliseum," McCourt said. "This will be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for fans to connect with the history of their beloved fran-

chise and support an incredible cause."

The Dodgers played in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum for four years after moving from Brooklyn in 1958. They shared the stadium with football tenants Southern California, UCLA and the Los Angeles Rams. The baseball team moved to Chavez Ravine when Dodger Stadium opened in 1962.

On May 7, 1959, the Dodgers and Yankees drew 93,103 for an exhibition in honor of Roy Campanella.

The Coliseum, used for football, has a strange base-

ball configuration. When the Dodgers played there, they installed a 42-foot screen in left field to compensate for the foul pole being only 250 feet from home plate.

Wally Moon, a left-handed hitting outfielder for Los Angeles, developed a knack for hitting the ball high enough to clear the screen, and the drives became known as "Moon Shots."

"We always knew the Dodgers would return to the Coliseum before the NFL," Coliseum Commission vice president David Israel said jokingly.

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‘State secrets’ doctrine draws scrutiny

**By PAMELA HESS
Associated Press**

WASHINGTON — In federal courts and on Capitol Hill, challenges are brewing to a key legal strategy President Bush is using to protect a secret surveillance program that monitors phone calls and e-mails inside the United States.

Under grilling from lawmakers and attack by lawsuits alleging Bush authorized the illegal wiretapping of Americans, the White House has invoked a legal defense known as the “state secrets” doctrine — a claim that the president has inherent and unchecked power to shield national security information from disclosure, either to plaintiffs in court or to congressional overseers.

The principle was established a half-century ago when, ruling in a wrongful-death case brought by the widows of civilians killed in a military plane crash, the Supreme Court upheld the Air Force’s refusal to provide an accident report to the plaintiffs. The government contended releasing the document would compromise information about a secret mission and intelligence equipment.

Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, the Judiciary Committee’s senior Republican, believes the White House has gone too far in invoking state secrets to halt civil lawsuits.

“We have the authority to define the state secrets doctrine,” Specter says. “I don’t think that the simple

assertion of state secrets ought to be the end of the matter.”

Specter, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., and others are working on legislation that would direct federal judges to review the president’s state secrets claims and allow cases with merit to go forward.

Practices among judges vary. Some accept state secrets claims outright, dismissing cases on the government’s word. Others read the privileged information and decide for themselves, but almost invariably side with the government, according to legal scholars.

The draft legislation is modeled on procedures used in criminal cases that involve classified information. The Classified Information Protection Act lets judges review classified information a criminal defendant wants to use in his defense, but which could compromise national security if it were released publicly. The law allows the court to delete classified passages, substitute summaries of the information, or substitute a statement of facts that the classified information would prove.

The measure could become part of the Senate’s new eavesdropping law, expected to be voted on in early December, the aides said.

In another challenge to Bush’s position on classified material, a federal judge in Virginia last week ordered the government to give trial prosecutors, defense lawyers and her clerk security clearances to review

classified material in a terrorism case. Defense lawyers say the material will show the government failed to turn over evidence obtained by illegally monitoring their client’s communications, and they want a new trial. The government says the information is protected by the state secrets privilege.

And in an Oregon case, a U.S. district court judge is set to decide whether the 1978 Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act trumps presidential claims of secrecy.

Adopted after the Watergate scandal, FISA dictates when the government must get permission from a secret court to monitor electronic communications inside the United States. It also allows people who believe they were spied on illegally to sue the government for damages and to request materials that would prove the surveillance. If the attorney general says disclosure would harm national security, a district court may review the classified materials privately to determine if the surveillance was illegal.

That civil liability provision of FISA, however, comes up hard against the National Security Agency’s Terrorist Surveillance Program.

Shortly after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, Bush secretly authorized the spy agency to intercept international communications coming in and out of the United States that were believed to involve foreign terrorist organiza-

tions, according to the White House. It did so without going through the FISA court, claiming the Constitution and Congress’ authorization to use military force after the terrorist attacks were all the authority the president needed to undertake the program.

Privacy and civil liberties groups say the warrantless surveillance violates FISA’s prohibition on domestic surveillance without court orders. But for someone to sue the government for FISA violations, they must prove they were directly injured by the government’s action. That is nearly impossible because the government will not disclose its targets or methods.

One organization, however, believes it can demonstrate it has standing to sue because of an accidental document release in 2004. That February, the Bush administration froze the assets of the Al-Haramain Islamic Foundation, a Muslim charity the United Nations Security Council alleges is associated with al-Qaida. In preparation for a legal proceeding on the terrorist designation in August, the Treasury Department inadvertently gave the foundation’s lawyers and directors a top secret document dated May 24, 2004.

The document appeared to be a government summary of phone conversations it monitored between foundation lawyers and directors, according to a Washington Post reporter who received a copy from the foun-

ation.

The FBI took the document from the Washington Post and Al Haramain in October 2004.

Fourteen months later, The New York Times revealed the existence of the Terrorist Surveillance Program. That is when the foundation’s lawyers realized what the top secret document was: proof the organization had been targeted for warrantless electronic surveillance under TSP. They believe that proves standing, unique among plaintiffs in dozens of surveillance cases filed across the country.

The government, however, asserts the states secrets privilege and refuses to release the document or confirm its contents. In its first crack at the case in 2006, the federal court in Oregon partially agreed. It said the document was rightfully protected by state secrets, but the foundation’s lawyers could describe what they remembered about it to establish standing in their lawsuit.

The government appealed that decision to the 9th Circuit Court in San Francisco, which last week upheld its state secrets claim. But it did not dismiss the case. Instead, it directed the lower court to tackle one question it had sidestepped: whether FISA overrides the common law state secrets privilege. While on appeal to the 9th Circuit Court, the case was transferred, so it will be decided by United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

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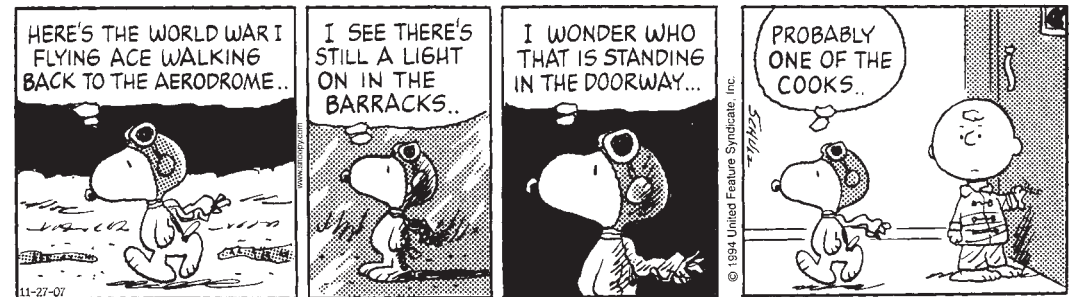
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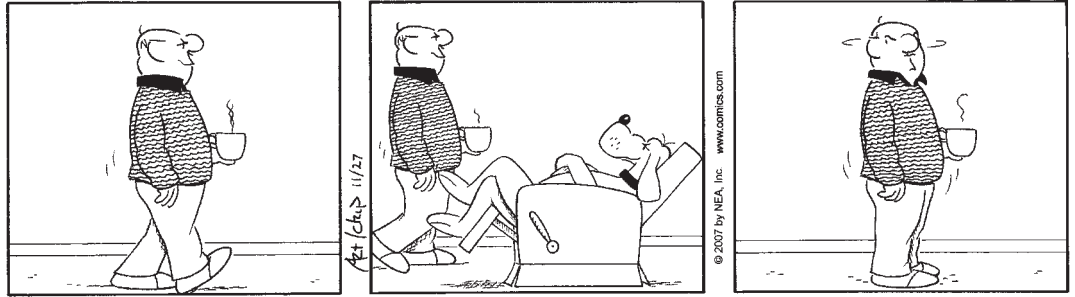
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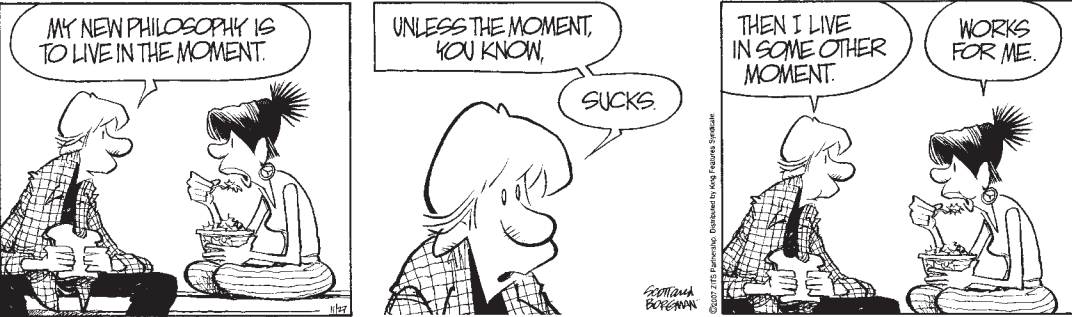
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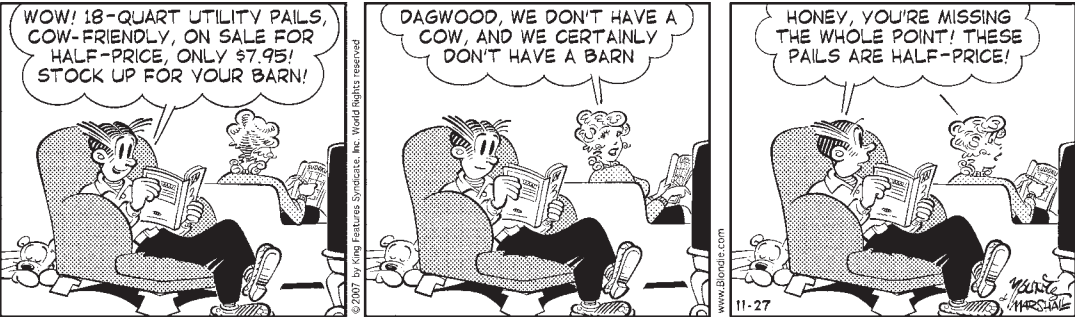
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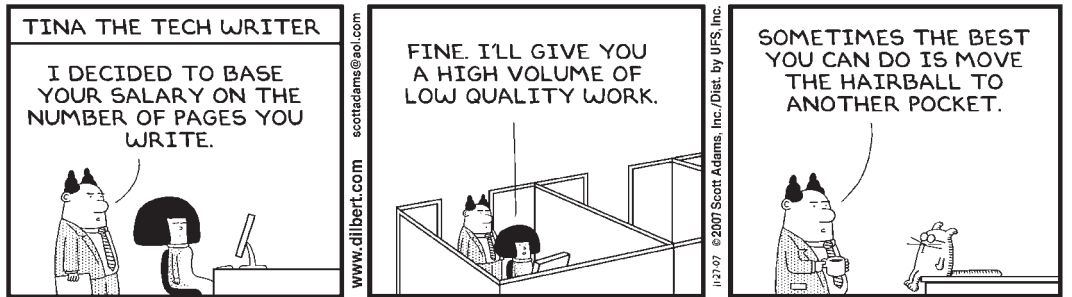
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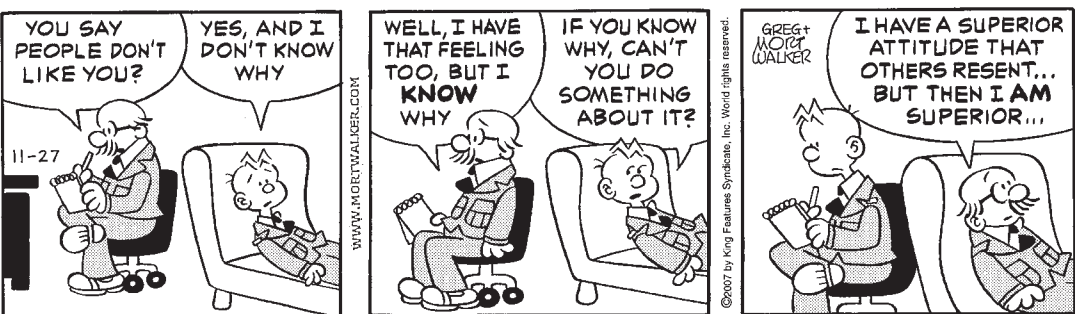
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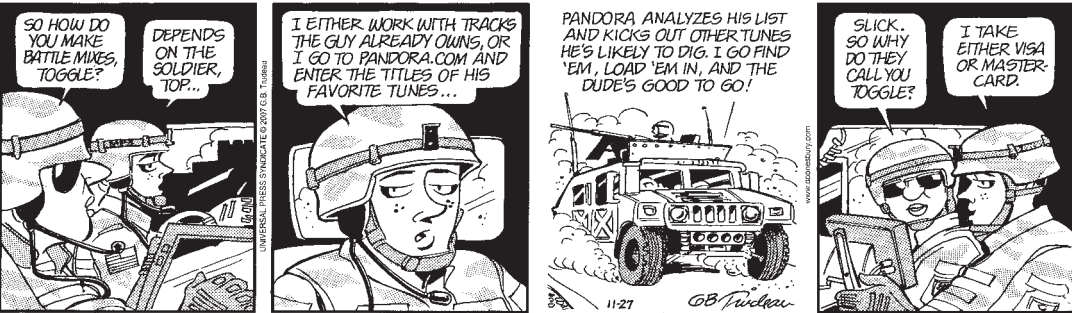
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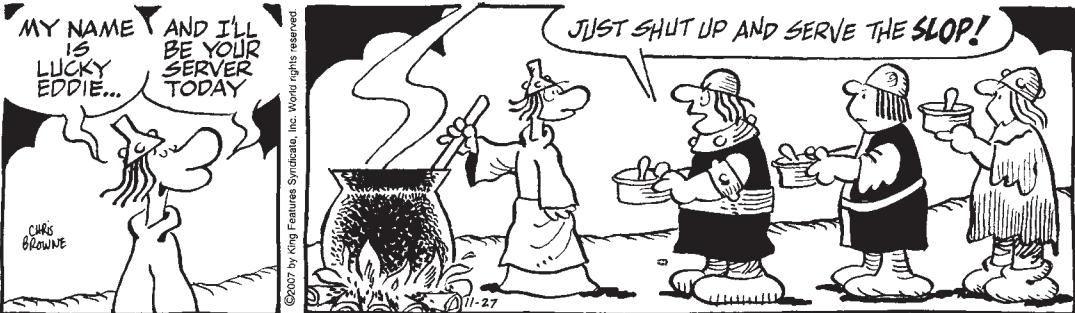
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In 1942, the French Navy sunk its fleet at

Toulon, in order to keep it from use by the Nazis.
In 1973, the U.S. Senate approved the nomination of Rep. Gerald Ford as vice president.
In 1978, San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and supervisor Harvey Milk were

fatally shot in City Hall.
TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Anders Celsius (1701-1744), scientist/inventor; Robert Livingston (1746-1813), diplomat; Charles A. Beard (1874-1948), historian; Bruce Lee (1940-1973), actor/martial-arts expert; Jimi Hendrix (1942-1970), musician.
TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1947, Joe DiMaggio was awarded the American League MVP with a season average of .315, 20 homers, and 97 RBI.
TODAY'S QUOTE: "The Nobel is a ticket to one's funeral. No one has ever done anything after he got it." -- T.S. Eliot
TODAY'S FACT: Pierre and Marie Curie are the first and only husband and wife to receive the Nobel Prize in Physics (1903).
TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Nov. 24) and last quarter (Dec. 1).



ASTROGRAPH

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Nov. 28, 2007
In the year ahead, you might establish a good relationship with several individuals whose philosophy and politics differ considerably from yours. Yet each will learn from the other, and strong

friendships will develop.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Because your cleverness will translate your ideas into action quicker than your associates, you're apt to be crossing the finish line while they're still trying to find the track.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- An arrangement about which you have had some negative thoughts might

work out exceedingly well for you. It could be outside factors that have a hand in bringing about this change.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- If you are uninvolved romantically at this time, don't turn down any social invitations. There's a strong chance that you could meet someone quite interesting.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Someone with whom you have recently established a good relationship in your field of endeavor might be able to help your career along in ways you never expected. He or she will be delighted.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- You might be a bit more

popular than other members of your peer group. Something you do or say may transpire that'll show you the value of loyalty under all conditions.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Should something not be working out for you as anticipated, don't stand there and simply take it. Your fate is always in your hands, so make the necessary adjustments.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- Something you have been hoping to achieve that can't be accomplished without the support of others might take a turn for the better. Move on it while opportunity is knocking loudly.
CANCER (June 21-July

22) -- There are strong chances for personally profiting on something not usually available to you, but you must do things in ways that will make it happen. Don't leave it all up to Lady Luck.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- In order to be a good leader, you must do a couple of things: 1) set a good example, and 2) be brave enough to take a calculated risk.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- You're a good achiever, and what you attempt to do is likely to turn out quite well. However, what's even more laudable is that you'll involve others in your successes and achievements.
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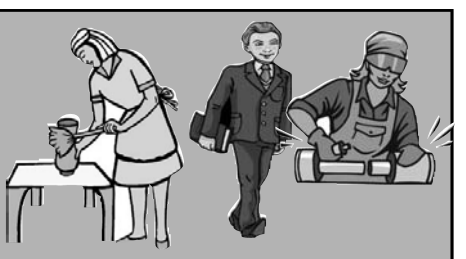
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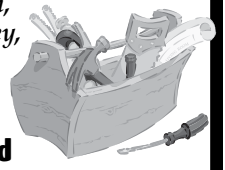
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TODAY

63°

Intervals of clouds and sunshine

TONIGHT

31°

Clear

WEDNESDAY

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33°

Several hours of sunshine

THURSDAY

60°

34°

Mostly sunny

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today 7:08 a.m.
Sunset tonight 4:52 p.m.
Moonrise today 8:09 p.m.
Moonset today 10:42 a.m.

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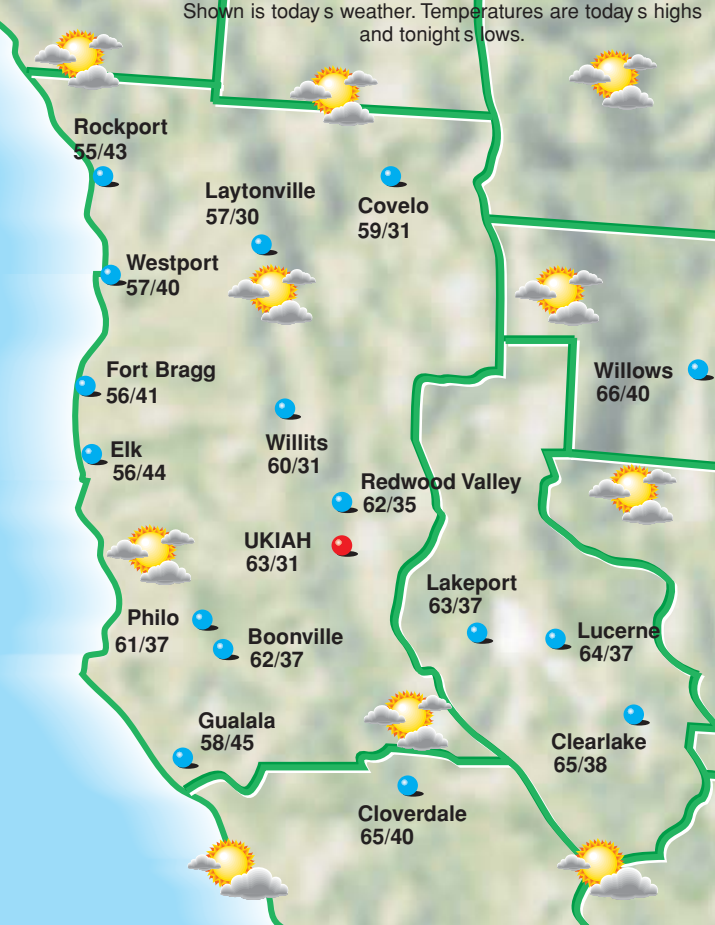
High	57
Low	31
Normal high	58
Normal low	39
Record high	84 in 1959
Record low	24 in 1919

Precipitation

24 hrs to 2 p.m. Mon.	0.00"
Month to date	0.67"
Normal month to date	4.62"
Season to date	3.00"
Last season to date	4.22"
Normal season to date	7.55"

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City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Wed. Hi/Lo/W
Anaheim	75/49/s	76/48/pc	Napa	66/40/pc	65/33/pc
Antioch	64/42/pc	63/38/pc	Needles	74/46/s	74/41/pc
Arroyo Grande	68/43/s	70/33/s	Oakland	63/38/pc	65/41/pc
Atascadero	70/37/s	71/34/s	Ontario	75/44/s	77/45/pc
Auburn	63/39/pc	63/43/pc	Orange	75/49/s	77/41/pc
Barstow	65/40/s	64/37/s	Oxnard	66/46/s	70/47/pc
Big Sur	65/42/s	66/45/s	Palm Springs	72/50/s	74/47/pc
Bishop	59/23/s	58/18/s	Pasadena	73/49/s	74/50/pc
Blythe	70/42/s	75/41/pc	Pomona	75/47/s	76/38/pc
Burbank	74/46/s	78/47/pc	Potter Valley	62/34/pc	64/33/pc
California City	65/40/s	66/37/s	Redding	63/41/pc	61/34/pc
Carpinteria	63/50/s	65/42/s	Riverside	78/42/s	78/42/pc
Catalina	65/52/s	68/59/pc	Sacramento	61/38/pc	63/35/pc
Chico	64/40/pc	63/37/pc	Salinas	65/37/s	68/39/s
Crescent City	54/38/pc	53/40/c	San Bernardino	76/45/s	76/43/pc
Death Valley	79/45/s	76/37/s	San Diego	70/50/s	72/52/pc
Downey	74/49/s	75/50/pc	San Fernando	73/48/s	72/47/pc
Encinitas	71/49/s	71/49/pc	San Francisco	62/44/pc	64/34/pc
Escondido	75/45/s	76/46/pc	San Jose	63/38/pc	67/43/pc
Eureka	58/33/pc	56/36/pc	San Luis Obispo	70/40/s	73/37/s
Fort Bragg	56/41/pc	57/39/pc	San Rafael	60/47/pc	61/37/pc
Fresno	64/38/s	62/38/s	Santa Ana	71/47/s	75/48/pc
Gilroy	66/40/pc	66/37/s	Santa Barbara	67/37/s	69/38/s
Indio	76/45/s	78/39/pc	Santa Cruz	64/41/pc	66/44/s
Irvine	71/47/s	75/48/pc	Santa Monica	68/50/s	70/51/pc
Hollywood	73/50/s	75/49/pc	Santa Rosa	68/35/pc	68/34/pc
Lake Arrowhead	66/35/s	63/26/pc	S. Lake Tahoe	51/14/pc	47/19/pc
Lodi	64/39/pc	62/34/pc	Stockton	64/38/pc	62/34/pc
Lompoc	66/42/s	67/41/s	Tahoe Valley	51/14/pc	47/19/pc
Long Beach	70/49/s	76/50/pc	Torrance	72/51/s	73/51/pc
Los Angeles	72/49/s	76/51/pc	Vacaville	65/39/pc	64/38/pc
Mammoth	50/24/s	51/11/s	Vallejo	60/46/pc	61/35/pc
Marysville	65/39/pc	63/34/pc	Van Nuys	76/44/s	76/47/pc
Modesto	63/39/pc	62/35/pc	Visalia	61/36/s	60/37/s
Monrovia	74/48/s	74/47/pc	Willits	60/31/pc	62/31/pc
Monterey	61/40/s	65/44/s	Yosemite Valley	58/24/s	56/19/s
Morro Bay	61/41/s	65/45/s	Yreka	45/20/pc	45/24/pc

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Lake Mendocino – Lake level: 711.08 feet; Storage: 29,982 acre-feet (Maximum storage 122,500 acre-feet) Inflow/Outflow: not reported
Air quality – Ozone: .036 ppm (State standard .090 ppm) Carbon monoxide: 1.35 ppm (20.0 ppm) Nitrogen dioxide: .024 ppm (.25 ppm)

The world briefly

Bush, Mideast leaders voice measured optimism about peace prospects

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush stepped cautiously into the most direct Mideast peacemaking of his administration on Monday, meeting separately with the leaders of Israel and the Palestinian Authority to explore whether peace is possible.

A day ahead of a major Mideast peace conference in Annapolis, Md., Bush said he was optimistic. The gathering is to launch the first direct peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians of Bush's nearly seven years in office, and has attracted Arab and other outside backing.

Israeli and Palestinian leaders have already said they want to conclude a bargain within the 14 months that Bush has left in office. The two sides were unable to frame a blueprint for the talks before they came to the United States, and negotiations over the text were expected to continue into Tuesday.

Bush emerged from an Oval Office meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert and told him: "I'm looking forward to continuing our serious dialogue with you and the president of the Palestinian Authority to see whether or not peace is possible. I'm optimistic. I know that you're optimistic."

Next, he met with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, who stressed the need to address issues of Palestinian statehood, sticking points that have doomed previous peace efforts.

Bush-Maliki deal sets framework for long-term US presence in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Monday signed a deal setting the foundation for a potential long-term U.S. troop presence in Iraq, with details to be negotiated over matters

that have defined the war debate at home — how many U.S. forces will stay in the country, and for how long.

The agreement between Bush and Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki confirms that the United States and Iraq will hash out an "enduring" relationship in military, economic and political terms. Details of that relationship will be negotiated in 2008, with a completion goal of July, when the U.S. intends to finish withdrawing the five combat brigades sent in 2007 as part of the troop buildup that has helped curb sectarian violence.

"What U.S. troops are doing, how many troops are required to do that, are bases required, which partners will join them — all these things are on the negotiating table," said Lt. Gen. Douglas Lute, President Bush's adviser on the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The proposal underlines how the United States and Iraq are exploring what their relationship might look like once the U.S. significantly draws down its troop presence. It comes as a Democratic Congress — unsuccessfully, so far — prods Bush to withdraw troops faster than he wants.

Bush and al-Maliki signed the new U.S.-Iraq "declaration of principles" during a secure video conference Monday morning.

Cheney experiences irregular heartbeat during treatment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Dick Cheney, who has a history of heart problems, experienced an irregular heartbeat Monday and was taken to George Washington University Hospital for evaluation.

The condition was detected when Cheney was seen by doctors around 7 a.m. at the White House for a lingering cough from a cold. He remained at work throughout the day, joining President Bush in meetings with Mideast leaders.

"During examination he was incidentally found to have an irregular heartbeat, which on further testing was determined to be atrial fibrillation, an abnormal rhythm involving the upper chambers of the heart," said spokeswoman Megan Mitchell.

She said Cheney went to the hospital around 5 p.m. She said that if necessary, he would be

receive cardioversion, a procedure that involves the delivery of an electric impulse to the heart.

About 2.8 million Americans have atrial fibrillation, the most common type of irregular heartbeat, and cases are increasing as the population ages.

The condition occurs when the heart's top chambers, called the atria, get out of sync with the bottom chambers' pumping action. It is not immediately life-threatening, and the heart sometimes gets back into rhythm on its own. Many times, patients aren't aware of an episode of atrial fibrillation.

Lott says he'll resign Senate seat at the end of the year

PASCAGOULA, Miss. (AP) — Mississippi Sen. Trent Lott announced Monday he will leave a 35-year career in Congress in which he epitomized the Republicans' political takeover of the South after the civil rights struggles of the 1960s.

Lott said he wanted to leave on a "positive note" after winning re-election last year to a leadership post and fostering legislation for rebuilding the Gulf Coast after Hurricane Katrina. He was first elected to Congress on the coattails of Richard Nixon's re-election landslide in 1972 — with 78 percent of the vote in Mississippi. He won election to the Senate in 1988, succeeding veteran Democrat John Stennis upon his retirement.

His decision to retire by year's end occurred

five years after he was bounced as the leader of his party in the Senate over remarks praising a Senate colleague that were interpreted as endorsing segregation. Lott, 66, rebounded a year ago, winning re-election to a fourth term in the Senate. He becomes the sixth Senate Republican this year to announce retirement.

At the White House, Bush and Gore, together again

WASHINGTON (AP) — Talk about an inconvenient truth.

Al Gore finally won his place in the Oval Office on Monday — right next to George W. Bush. Forever linked by the closest and craziest presidential race in history, the two men were reunited by, of all things, White House tradition.

Gore was among the 2007 Nobel Prize winners who were invited in for a photo and some chatter with the president; Gore got the recognition for his work on global warming.

The two men stood next to other, sharing uncomfortable grins for photographers and reporters, who were quickly ushered in and out.

"Familiar faces," the former vice president said of the media. Bush, still smiling, added nothing.

The two also had a 40-minute meeting in the Oval Office, part of Bush's effort to show some outreach to his longtime rival.

Bush aides said it was private and would not comment on it.

Crab

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any delays this year," said Aaron Newman, fisherman and president of the Humboldt Fishermen's Marketing Association.

While challenges remain, especially the high price of fuel, the agreement should dissolve uncertainty and the nail biting that so often sets in during December when fishermen and processors wrangle over prices.

"It's a little unusual, but it's actually quite nice," said Pacific Choice General Manager Rick Harris.

The crab are ready. Tests have shown that they are full enough to catch and fishermen have been allowed extra time to let their crab pots "soak," or rest on the ocean floor before they are hauled up. The haul can begin at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday.

"People are champing at the bit, believe me," said fishmonger Mark McCulloch of Mr. Fish in Eureka.

Having crab on hand before the Christmas and New Year's holiday is never a given, and McCulloch said he's fielding calls from customers wanting some assurance.

Markets outside of the San Francisco Bay Area have been hard pressed to get crab from

the smaller city-based fishery after a huge oil spill delayed the Nov. 15 start of the season there.

It's always difficult to know, but it seems that most are expecting the catch to be about as large as last year's, which was about 13.4 million pounds -- valued at \$30.3 million -- for the state. Crescent City, Eureka and Fort Bragg caught more than half of that.

Family

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retarded and spastic children," she explained with a smile on her face. "We had all types of disabilities there. I enjoyed working with them. I always thought this could be me. And now God is blessing me."

In 1969, Stapleton moved to San Francisco where she lived with her brother Cleveland and his wife. During her short stint in the Bay Area, she continued to caring for the disabled, but said she had to leave the city because "it was a little too wild for me."

After living in San Francisco for just a year, Stapleton moved to Ukiah after getting another job providing bedside care to the disabled. In the 37 years she has been in Ukiah almost 30 of those years were spent working with the disabled, and she said she wouldn't trade away a moment of her service.

An irregular heartbeat forced doctors to put a pace-maker in Stapleton in 2006, but she hasn't let that get her down.

"God doesn't put more on you than you can handle," she explained. "It's like the

23rd Psalm. We, too, have to walk in the valley."

She said she had always been a very clean and organized person, and after retiring from her job she needed something to do. That was when an employee from the Senior Center's ADHC program spoke with her daughter Lille, 55, about trying ADHC on a three-day-per-week basis. Now almost a year later, Stapleton is not only a beacon of joy and positive energy to all the seniors in ADHC, but she's also enjoying her "second chance at life."

"If I hadn't gone to the Adult Day Health Care, I'd be dead," Stapleton explained. "I feel like I'm living again. I look forward to coming here every day."

Looking forward to each day at the Senior Center might be an understatement as Stapleton -- the Senior Center's official fashion expert -- said she prepares five days worth of outfits ahead of time for her trips to the center.

"They keep you busy," she smiled and said. "We play games and have a great time. Here they've got everything. Every day I'm painting or coloring. I just love everybody on this staff because I know they love us. When

they take us off the bus there's love there. And when they put us back on the bus it's love. We're a regular family here."

Stapleton lives with her daughter, who she said takes excellent care of her. Even though she's slowed down a bit, Stapleton said she has hopes of decorating her house for Christmas this year, "I'm going to do it with the grace of God."

For more information about the Adult Day Health Care Program, contact Donna Squires at 462-4343. The ADHC program runs Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day.

In addition the Adult Day Health Care Program, this year the Senior Center is participating in a Sponsor a Senior program where residents can sponsor a senior to help pay electricity, prescription costs and other services. People interested in sponsoring a senior for help with prescription costs and other needs can contact Joyce Crommett at 462-4343 extension 102. People wanting to mail contributions should send their contributions to the Senior Center and earmark their envelope "For senior sponsorship."

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